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COUNCIL MEETING.

MOTOR TAXATION AND
FIRE BRIGADE.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Government replied to questions submitted by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga with regard to motor taxation and Fire Brigade casualties.

Motor Taxation.
The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga asked the following questions:
1. In view of the weight of public opinion against the recommendations of the Committee appointed to advise on the taxation of motor-cars (S. P. 8/1929), is it the intention of Government to proceed with legislation on the lines of the Committee's recommendations?

2. If so, will the Government delay any legislation until it has had time to receive representations which the recommendations in question are likely to call forth from the Automobile Association, the motoring and oil trades and transport companies operating in Hongkong and Kowloon, and other interests affected?

3. In the consideration of the aforesaid recommendations will the Government keep in view:

(a) a very generally expressed opinion, to which prominence was given in a leading article of the S. C. M. Post of the 2nd May, that "one of the primary needs of the Colony is decentralization—development of suburban residential areas particularly—and for this cheap transport is essential."

(b) the possibility of an increase in bus fares affecting the masses on whom the proposed taxation may fall most heavily and who are least capable of bearing it;

(c) the further rise in the high cost of living in the Colony;

(d) the indirect blow at the free-trade policy of the Colony, on which its development and prosperity were founded, by penalizing one class of motor-car manufacturers in favour of another?

4. Does the Government realize that adoption of the recommendations of the Committee would be tantamount to increasing the taxation on the average car in the Colony by over 200%, thus tending to reduce the efficiency and excellence of the public service of motor-cars at present conducted by owner-drivers and discouraging, through enormously increased operating costs, private ownership?

5. What was the actual quantity of petrol imported in Hongkong in 1928 and what is the estimated quantity for 1929 and the value thereof?

The Colonial Secretary replied:—
1 & 2. The Government does not propose to proceed immediately with legislation for the introduction of taxation of motor-cars as recommended by the Committee. The report was published for general information and the Government is prepared to receive representations from interested parties.

3. The Government will bear in mind the observations made by the honourable member.

4. The Government has no proof of the correctness of the premises on which the honourable member bases his pessimistic estimate of the effects of the proposals suggested by the Committee.

5. Exact figures are not available. The amount imported for local consumption in 1928 is estimated at 1,700,000 gallons. The estimated consumption in 1929 is 2,000,000 gallons.

Values vary according to price. At the present retail price of 70 cents a gallon the retail values would be \$1,100,000 and \$1,400,000 respectively.

Fire Brigade Casualties.

Hon. Mr. Braga asked:

1. Has the Captain Superintendent of Police had his attention drawn to the leading article in the Hongkong Daily Press of May 7, alleging that the standard of efficiency among the rank and file of

LOCAL WEDDING.

WELL-KNOWN CHINESE
FAMILIES UNITED.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at the Church of Christ in China, Bonham Road, the contracting parties being Mr. Daniel P. K. Au of the Sincere Co. Ltd., Shanghai, son of the late Mr. Matthew Au Leong and Mrs. Au, and Miss Woon Ting Cheung, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cheung Sum So of 69 Robinson Road. Rev. C. L. Cheung officiated at the ceremony, while Mr. W. H. Cheung ably discharged the duties of best man. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. W. K. Cheung, was attended by Miss Cheung Woon Pui as bridesmaid.

Mr. Au hails from St. John's University, Shanghai, and has a host of friends in the Colony, having studied at Ying Wah College prior to leaving for Shanghai. After completing his studies at St. John's, he joined the well-known department store and is now one of the directors of the Shanghai branch. The bride is an alumnus of St. Stephen's Girls School and the Italian Convent and is specially versed in art.

A reception was held immediately after the ceremony at the Church House, where the toast of the bride and groom was proposed and honoured. Later, Mr. David W. K. Au, cousin of the groom, was host to some 300 guests at a dinner party at the Man Kwok Restaurant in honour of the newly-married couple. The honeymoon will be spent on a trip to Hangchow.

The fire-brigade is low because nearly 50 per cent. of the force leave the service every year by dismissal, resignation or desertion, and is that statement accurate?

2. Is it considered that the wages offered to firemen are such as to attract suitable recruits to the service, and have any complaints regarding the wages paid been brought to the notice of the authorities?

3. Besides the question of salaries, what other grounds, if any, exist for dissatisfaction with the conditions of service in the Fire Brigade Sub-department of the Police?

The Captain Superintendent of Police replied:

The Captain Superintendent of Police had perused the article in the Hongkong Daily Press of May 7. In 1928 the casualties through resignation, desertion and dismissal were 31, 14 and 21 respectively, making a total of 66. The authorized establishment (Chinese) in 1928, was 240. The casualties under the same head during 1927 were 11, 23 and 14 respectively, making a total of 48. The figures for 1929 up to April 30, are 5, 19 and 10 respectively, making a total of 34. It is thus seen that the casualties under the above heads approximate to 25% and not 50% of strength. The following is an extract from the Annual Report of the Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, on the year 1927:

"Recruits. The difficulty in connexion with recruits for the Fire Brigade has now disappeared although vacancies are still of frequent occurrence owing to the ease with which men can leave the Brigade. If they wish to do so, i.e. on one month's notice."

Up to the end of 1928 Firemen were on a monthly engagement. It was then decided that, owing to the large number of men who left the Brigade, for one reason or another, after short periods of service, all Chinese members of the Brigade should be called upon to sign an agreement for five years service, and provide a security of from \$25 to \$100 for the keeping of the agreement. This accounts for the large number of resignations in 1929. Members were given the option of resigning or signing a five years agreement. The places of these men have already been filled with the exception of seven; for these last places there are already

AUCTION SALE.

FIVE KOWLOON HOUSES
ATTRACT NO BIDDERS.

Put up for auction by Lamport Bros. yesterday afternoon, five houses in Kowloon attracted no bidders despite Mr. Lamport's prophecy that in five years the place where they are situated "will be the centre of a very populous district."

The five houses are described as "all that piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Section A of Subsection 2 of Section A of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 359 together with all the messuages, erections and buildings thereon known as Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Austin Road, Kowloon."

The total area is approximately 6,385 square feet, the terms being 75 years under Crown Lease dated the 28th November, 1887.

In opening the sale, Mr. Lamport informed those present that 10 per cent. of the purchase price was to be paid up at the fall of the hammer and the rest to be delivered to Messrs. Johnstone, Stokes and Master within a month of the date of an agreement to be signed by the purchaser.

The five houses were put up in one lot at the upset price of \$40,000, the minimum bid being \$200.

Receiving no response from those present, Mr. Lamport was forced to withdraw the sale, his next scheme being to sell the houses one by one. No. 31 was first put up at the upset price of \$7,500, but attracted no bidders. Nos. 33, 35 and 37 suffered the same fate and the corner house No. 39 was then put up at \$9,500. Even this did not stir the interest of those present, Mr. Lamport being eventually forced to cancel the sale altogether.

seven candidates whose characters are at the moment under investigation.

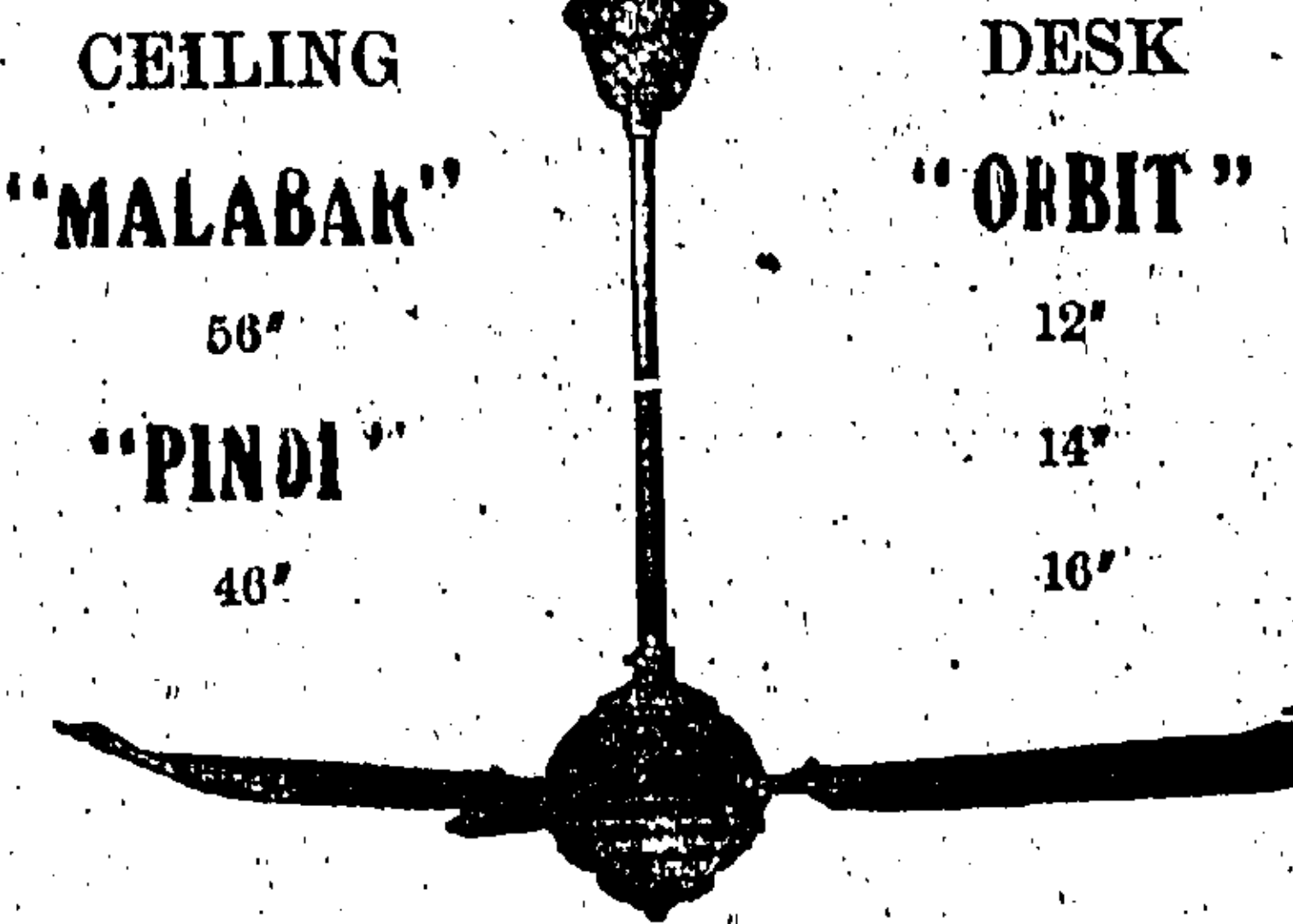
2. It is considered that the wages offered to the Chinese staff of the Fire Brigade, in comparison with the wages ruling in other branches of Government service, are adequate. In a report dated December, 1928, the Chief Officer wrote:—"There have been several revisions of pay to the Chinese staff, and I consider that they are all, from Sub. Officers downwards, well paid. I do not advocate any increase in emoluments over and above any granted generally to Chinese Government employees, irrespective of the departments they are working in."

Representatives of the various ranks of the Fire Brigade attended before the Salaries Commission which has recently concluded its sittings. No complaints regarding wages have been brought to the notice of the authorities.

3. The three principal causes of casualties in the Fire Brigade are:—(a) the work entails a bigger physical strain than candidates anticipate. (b) The discipline and confinement to Station, which the work entails. (c) The ease with which a candidate could formerly obtain and discard \$20 a month and lodging. As to (a), most of these casualties cannot be avoided; it sometimes happens that a man is prepared to continue in the Brigade, but the Superintendent has to turn him away after trial, because he has not the requisite physical strength. It is a debatable question whether higher pay would overcome this difficulty. Higher pay might attract a more intelligent class of candidate, but it is highly probable that he would possess a lower standard of physical strength and nerve. (b) The Chinese mind does not take kindly to Fire Brigade discipline. The demands of their duty are recognised by the grant to Firemen of 24 hours leave every six days. (c) This difficulty has been met, it is hoped, by the institution of a five years agreement.

Hongkong Bank Ordinance.
The Ordinance to amend the constitution of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation passed all remaining stages and became law.

The Council adjourned sine die.

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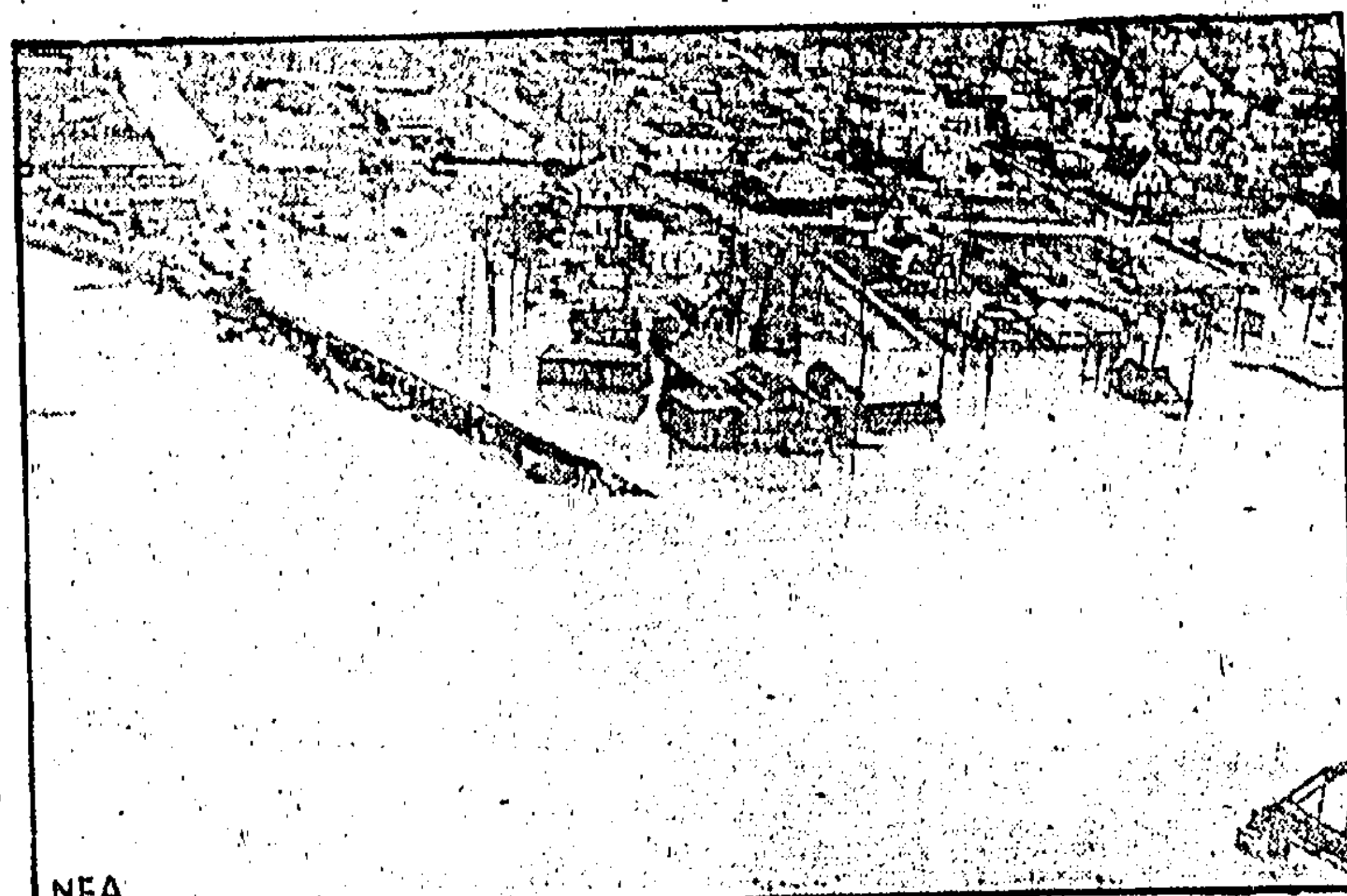
WELL, ANYWAY—YA DIDN'T PULL AS MUCH AS TH' LAST GUY WHO HAD ME IN HIS CHAIR—

HUH! YA OUGHTA KNOW BETTER—GOIN' TO ANOTHER BARBER!

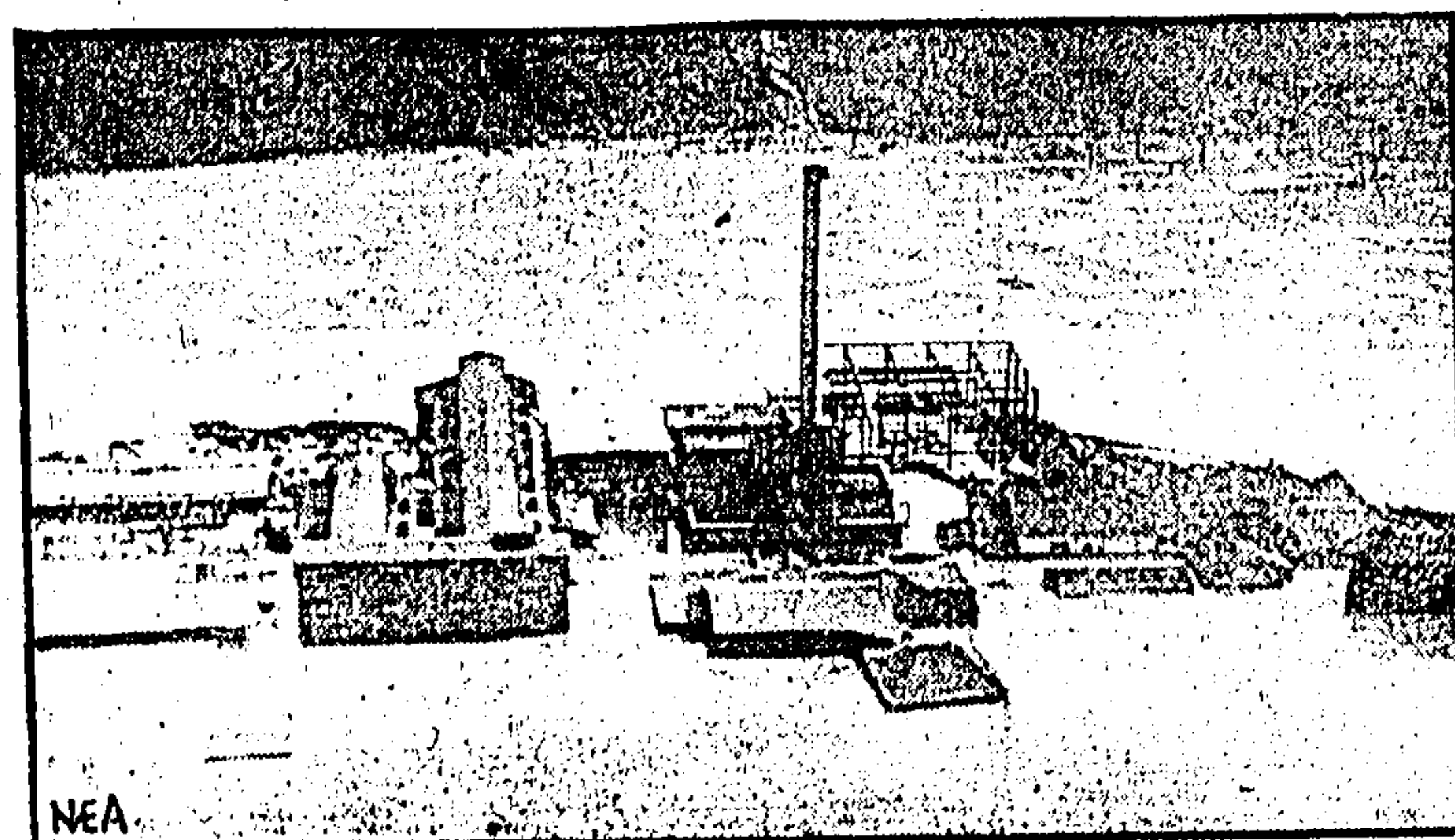
HE WASN'T A BARBER—HE WAS A DENTIST!



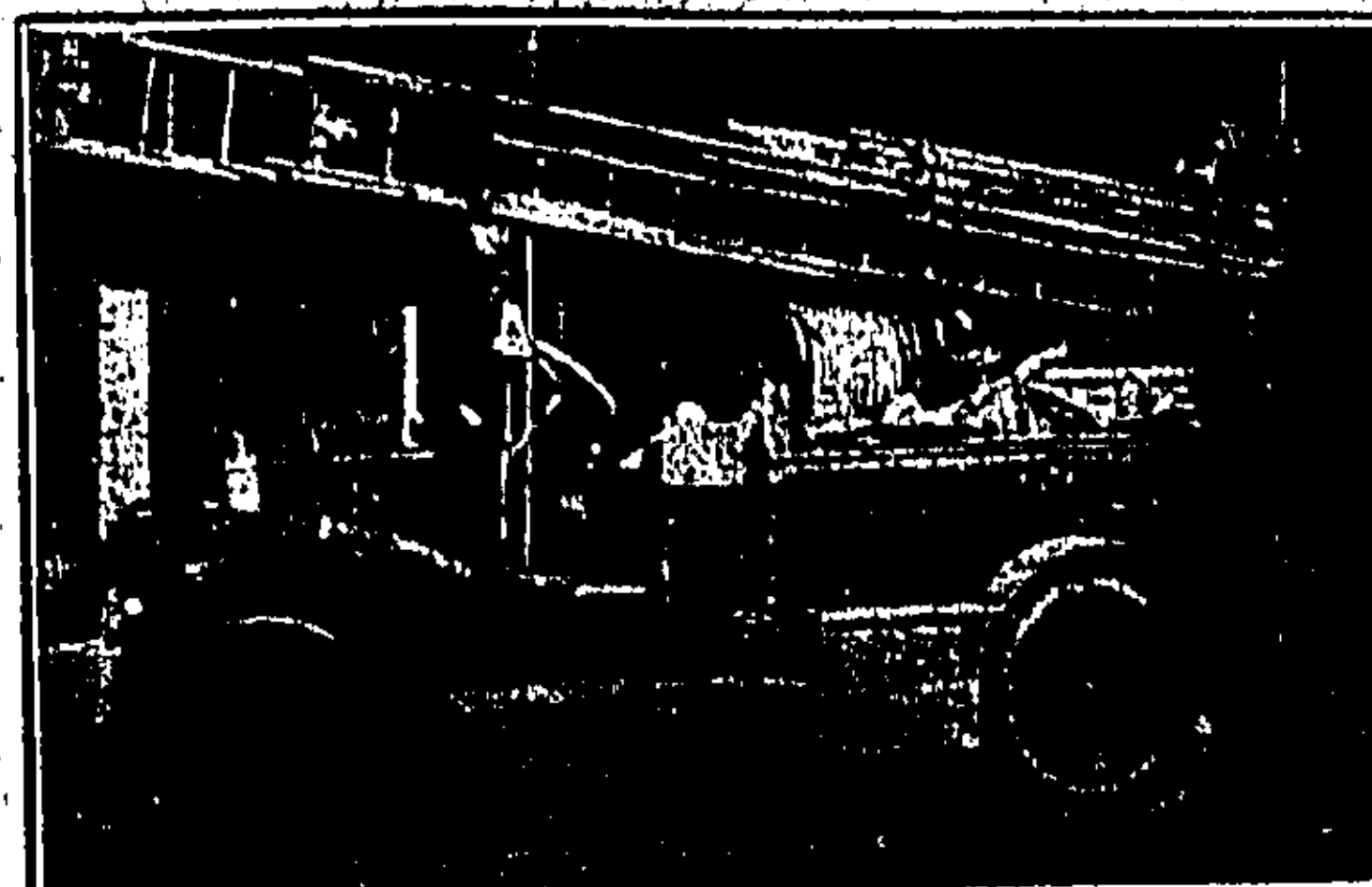
The machine shop of the Brigade workshops is one of the most interesting branches of the Shanghai Fire Brigade. Here it is that all spare parts essential to the efficient working of all stations are manufactured. Hose nozzles, section couplings, connections and many other brass and steel necessities are turned out.



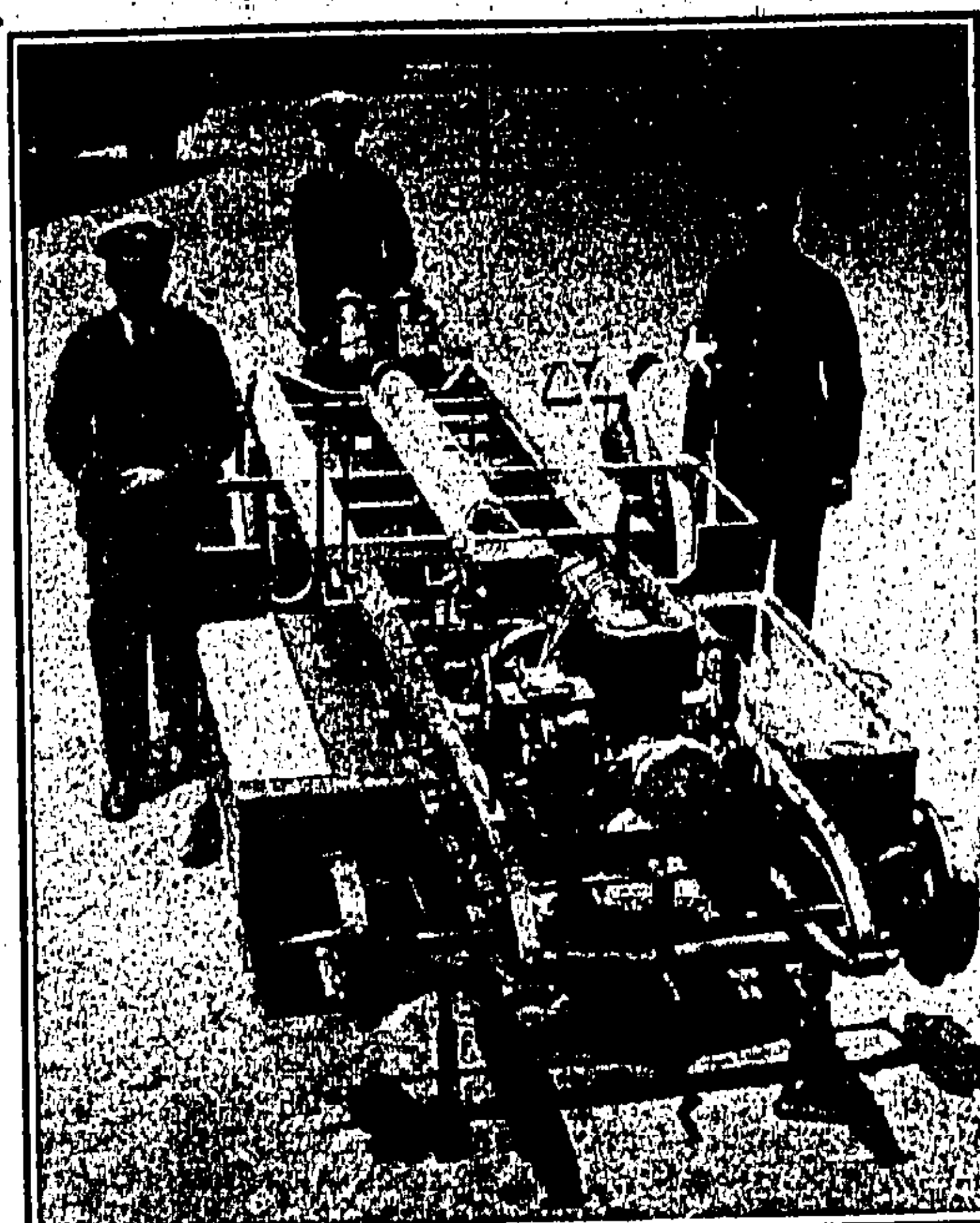
Our picture shows the inundated area in the region of Harriman, Tennessee. Taken from the air, it shows the railway bridge over the Emory River partially swept away, while many buildings are under water.



This shows a large factory at Harriman, Tennessee, photographed from the air during the recent serious floods.



Here is shown a completed fire engine built by Shanghai labour in the Shanghai Brigade workshops of Hongkew. Every part, with exception of the chassis, has been manufactured in the various workshops at Hongkew. Even the long extension ladder was made in the carpentry shops of the department.



One of the greatest undertakings by the Shanghai Fire Brigade workshops staff was the building of a fire engine from the bare framework of the chassis of an imported Fiat motor. The above photograph shows the chassis complete, with pump and transmission awaiting the placing of the super-structure.



One of the most important parts in the construction of a fire engine is the super-structure. That above was manufactured in the carpentry shop of the Shanghai Brigade workshops.

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C. J. COOKE,

Hon. Secretary, V.R.C.

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NOTICE.

On WHIT MONDAY, 20th May, 1929, all Departments will be CLOSED. The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED

Hongkong, 16th May, 1929.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 24th May, 1929, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 6th May to 24th May, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1929.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 24th May, 1929, at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1929.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 24th May, 1929, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Monday, the 20th May, (Whit Monday.)

Hongkong, 14th May, 1929.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Half Yearly General Meeting of Voting Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on Friday, 17th May, 1929, at 6.10 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1929.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1929, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1928.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 9th to the 23rd May, 1929, both days inclusive.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Fifth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 18th May, and on Monday, 20th May, 1929, commencing at 3 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.—for all persons including ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5.—each per day up to Friday, 17th May, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.—per day.

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A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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the 22nd May, 1929, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at Godown No. 18, The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

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TWO CHINESE SENT TO PRISON.

A serious view was taken by Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Police Court this morning, of a case in which two Chinese were charged with preparing opium at No. 2, Tit Hong Lane. They were arrested yesterday by Revenue Officer P. O'Neill, who stated that they were not asked if they required bail, for the offence involved bail of not less than \$5,000 each.

The Revenue Officer stated that when he entered the house he found the two accused boiling opium, and two bottles of opium water and the residue of the opium they were preparing were produced in Court.

The first defendant stated that the opium was not his, while the second added that he was only boiling water. The cubic in front of them, where one man was found smoking opium, and where two sets of smoking apparatus were found, was rented by an uncle of the first accused who has recently left for the country.

Each was sent to prison for three months' hard labour, without the option of a fine.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern officiated at the formal opening of the new billiards room, for which Mr. Ho. Kom-long, O.B.E., presented a table to commemorate the winning of the 1929 Hongkong Derby with "President Hall" at the Sports Club yesterday afternoon, a large number of members being present to witness the ceremony.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

RADIO NOTICE.

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the P. and O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office. Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	May 19.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	May 20.
Suez, Straits and London Parcels	Tyden	May 20.
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Japan	Kaga Maru	May 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Mores	May 24.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Grant	May 24.
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of France	May 27.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	May 27.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Folk	June 1.

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Amoy	Tjealak Sat., May 18, 10.30 a.m.
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WOMAN'S WORLD

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Fashion Notes.

NO STARTLING CHANGES.

The keynote of the new season's fashions is simplicity; but it is a sophisticated and expensive simplicity of cut, line, and drapery. Life, these days, is so flamboyant and garish, that women seem naturally to incline towards the simple, or what appears to be so, in clothes, as a soothing reaction from the ornate life and environment around us; and the clever designers, who are adepts in understanding women's psychology, produce models which appeal along these lines.

There are no startling basic changes in the general lines of the prevailing modes, but it is true, nevertheless, that though the slender outline is preserved as a whole, it has lost much of its former board-like flatness, and many of the new models show a gently rounded bust, while box-pleats, draperies, hanging panels, tucks, embroideries, &c., used as trimmings, all tend to emphasise a distinctly feminine influence.

Clever cutting, and the introduction of unexpected flares, give the little additional fullness to be found in the skirts of evening gowns, which, for the most part, remain faithful to the uneven hem. The actual length for these skirts, as well as the position chosen for the waistline, is generally determined by what will harmonise best with the individual figure, for the skirt which is just too short, looks vulgar, and that which is too long, prehistoric.



The most charming feature of modern fashions is, perhaps, the black lace evening coat! This model is especially attractive, with its deep cape-like collar, its fluted basque, and its pretty centre-front fastening.

Cookery Reminders

Stewed fruit sweetened at the last does not require so much sugar as if the latter was added at the beginning of the cooking. If a pinch of carbonate of soda is put with very sour fruit, the sugar allowance can be decreased.

To "devil" herrings, sprinkle them with dry mustard and cayenne and fry in a little margarine. Serve on strips of buttered toast.

Soft herring roes make a tasty little savoury. Fry them lightly in a little butter and serve them on toast, garnished with parsley.

Glass icing will be dull if overheated. The sugar should only be melted sufficiently to coat the back of a wooden spoon; it will then pour quite easily over a cake.

When catering for a family and buying mutton it is more economical to get a whole neck as it is cheaper per pound in this way. The best end can be roasted, the middle used for haricot mutton, and the scrap for Irish stew or mutton broth.

Today's Recipe.

CHILLED ORANGE SOUFFLE.

Three eggs, 1-2 lemon, 1 tablespoon granulated gelatine, 2 oranges, 1-2 cup sugar, few grains salt, 1-4 cup cold water, 1-2 cup whipping cream.

Soften gelatine in cold water for five minutes. Beat yolks of eggs with sugar and lemon juice. Cook over hot water until thickened. Add soaked gelatine and let stand until cool. Add pulp of oranges freed from skin and seeds, whites of eggs beaten until stiff and dry and cream whipped until firm. Turn in to a mold and let stand on ice for two hours or longer, until thoroughly chilled and firm. Unmold and serve.

To the Housewife.

ORANGES FOR BREAKFAST.

Most people in these days have acquired the taste for grapefruit in the morning, but in many households it is too expensive a luxury to appear with regularity. Here are some novel ways of serving that excellent substitute, the orange.

Finlon Haddock With Orange Butter.

Soak the fish for an hour or so in warm water, drain well, and fry in margarine. Melt a good piece of butter in a saucepan, stir into it the pulp (cut small) and the grated rind of half an orange. Spread over the fish and serve very hot.

Fish Cakes With Orange Sauce.
Heat two cups cold fish in one cupful thick white sauce, having previously flaked the fish. When the mixture is hot add the yolks of two eggs and remove at once from the fire. Mix thoroughly and leave to cool. When cold, form into cakes, coat with egg and breadcrumbs, and fry in boiling fat. For the sauce, melt one tablespoonful butter, add a tablespoonful flour, and stir in gradually the juice of an orange mixed with water to make one cupful. Season with salt and a pinch of cayenne, and hand with the fish cakes.

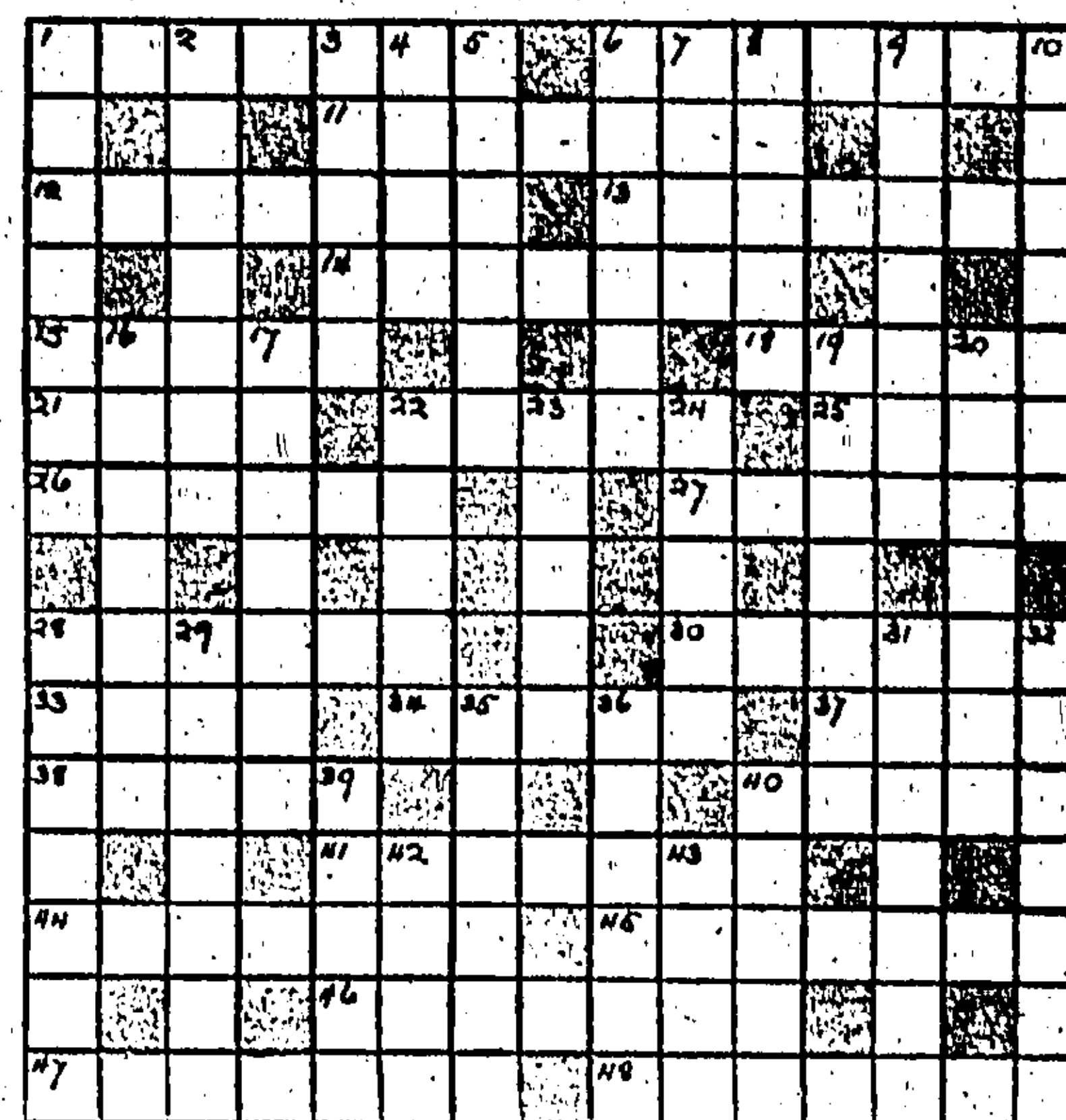
Liver With Orange.

Pour boiling water over 1 lb. sliced liver, drain well, and fry in bacon fat. When nicely browned, put the liver in a saucepan with four cloves, one bay-leaf, a pinch of ground mace, one peeled orange cut in slices, and seasoning of salt and pepper. Just cover with boiling water and cook slowly for half-an-hour. When done, remove cloves and bay-leaf, and add corn-flour enough to thicken the gravy. Serve on toast and garnish with slices of orange.



One of the new wool sports suits, the jumper showing bright zig-zag interwoven stripes on a stone-coloured ground and the skirt showing similar horizontal stripes at the hem. Green being the main colour, the smart beret and scarf are in fine green tweed.

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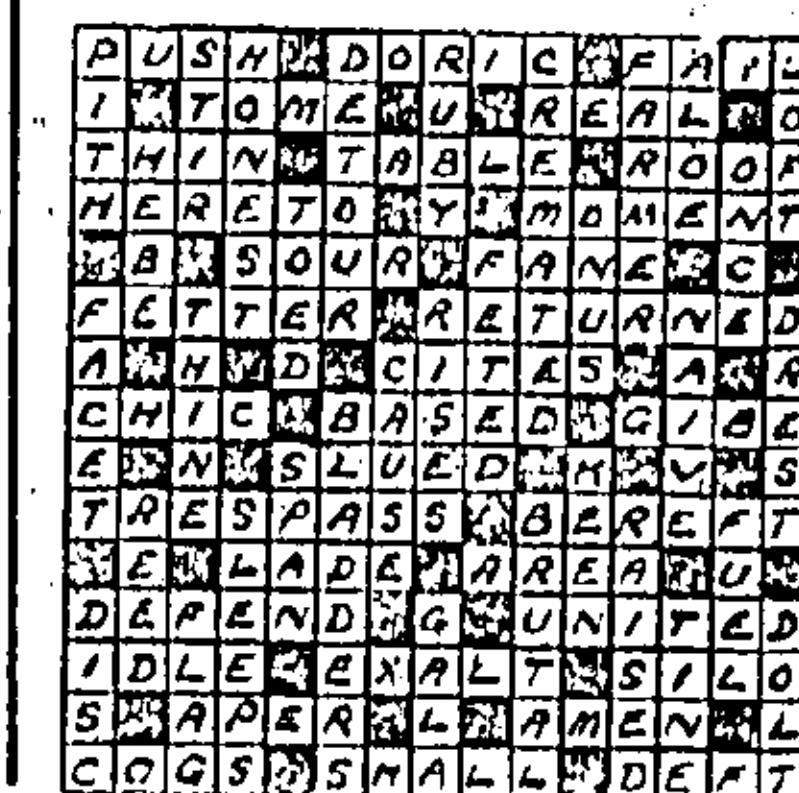


- Across
- 1 Distorts.
 - 6 Adis.
 - 11 Hermit.
 - 12 Growned.
 - 13 Different.
 - 14 Piece of cabinet furniture.
 - 15 Overturn.
 - 18 Sleep like a bird.
 - 21 Pleading.
 - 22 Animal.
 - 25 Stringed instrument.
 - 26 Scullery.
 - 27 Elevator.
 - 28 Place for hunting engines.
 - 30 Sovereign.
 - 33 Employa.
 - 34 Sows.
 - 37 Bless.
 - 38 Declare.
 - 41 Quiet.
 - 42 Curled at end.
 - 43 Repeat.
 - 45 Carriers.
 - 46 Terrestrial.
 - 47 Prices.
 - 48 Repulses.

- Down
- 1 Swell.
 - 2 Make to pass through.
 - 3 Let anew.
 - 4 Allowance for waste.
 - 5 Staid.
 - 6 Helpers.
 - 7 Agitate.
 - 8 Separate.

- 8 Solemn.
- 10 Zinc.
 - 10 Player of a viol.
 - 17 Opposed to an idealist.
 - 19 Variety of iron ore.
 - 20 Used in duplicating.
 - 22 Icebergs.
 - 23 Make putrid.
 - 24 Ensnarcs.
 - 28 Sigh.
 - 29 Most costly.
 - 31 Those that nail.
 - 32 Enrolls.
 - 35 Pierces.
 - 36 Dealer in clothes.
 - 39 Exalt.
 - 40 Withers.
 - 42 Paragraph.
 - 43 Shade of colour.

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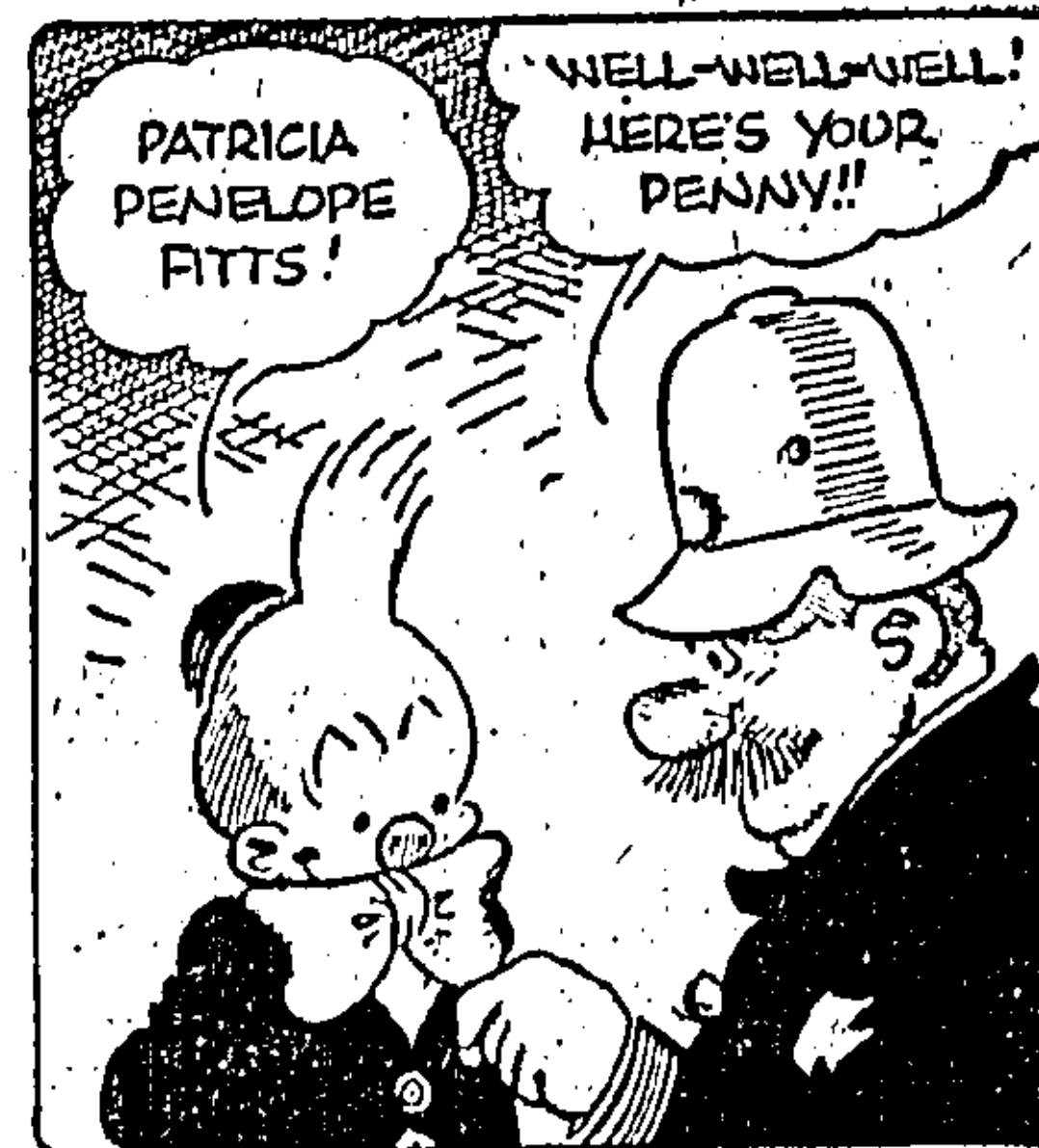
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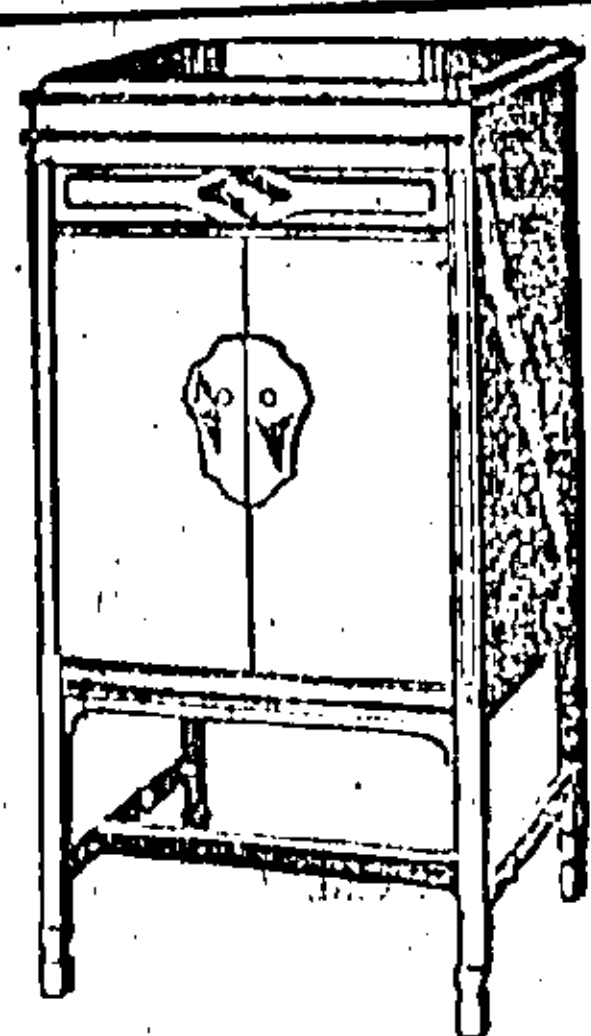
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MOTOR TAXATION.

The Government reply to Mr. Braga's questions on motor taxation are satisfactory in the sense that they indicate no intention of immediate legislation on the lines recommended by the Committee which has reported on the subject. We are told that the Report was published "for general information," and that the Government is prepared to receive representations from interested parties. That is as far as we could expect the Government to go at the moment, for no-one anticipated that, without hearing what the affected interests have to say, the recommendations of the Committee would be absolutely thrown overboard. At the same time, it would be interesting to know from what angle the Committee investigated the matter—whether it was with a view to effecting an increase in the revenue at present received from motor vehicles, and, if so, to what extent. The Government could surely not have intended asking the Committee to report on the subject for the mere purpose of producing a document "for general information." Obviously, it would expect the Committee to put forward reasonable proposals, suited to the needs of the situation, and it was thus very naturally assumed by the public that the recommendations would, at least in their main features, be accepted by the Government. It was this fear which caused such wholesale condemnation of the proposals by those affected.

In one of his questions, Mr. Braga suggested that the Committee's proposals would be tantamount to increasing the taxation on the average car in the Colony by over 200 per cent. This figure is somewhat pool-floored by the Government, which says it has no proof of the correctness of the premises on which Mr. Braga bases "his pessimistic estimate." The matter is easy of calculation, however, and we find on analysis that Mr. Braga's figure can without difficulty be established. Let us take, for example, an 18 h.p. car. Under the Committee's proposals, such a car would be required to pay an annual tax of \$36. Assuming that it uses thirty gallons of petrol per month, which is quite a reasonable figure for the man using his car both for

getting to and from business and during week-ends as well, he will be required to pay another \$36 yearly as petrol tax. This makes a total of \$72 per year, as compared with his present licence fee of \$24—an increase of 200 per cent. It is to be noted, however, that the present \$24 licence fee covers cars of considerably greater horse-power than the example quoted, and that the increased taxation would be even more for the higher rating, both in regard to horse-power and petrol taxes. These illustrations are sufficient to show that Mr. Braga was in no way over-estimating the burden of the suggested new taxation.

Our chief objection to the Committee's proposals is that there is far too much variety in the suggested forms of taxation. This unnecessarily complicates the question. In particular, we strongly oppose the horse-power tax, for reasons which we set out at the time the Report was made public. The only tax needed—and it is the fairest imaginable—is a tax on petrol. On the basis of ten cents per gallon, suggested by the Committee, the income would be \$200,000 per year, which is some \$83,000 more than is at present received in licence fees. When we add to that, the suggested horse-power tax for private cars, the seating tax for public vehicles, and the licence fees in respect of commercial vehicles, it will be realised that a huge sum would be brought into the Government coffers. On that point, the Committee might well have given some estimate of the total probable income. Then we should have known to what extent motorists were being burdened. Viewed superficially, the figures cited by the Committee in regard to cost of road maintenance might seem to indicate that motorists are not paying their rightful share, but a point not to be lost sight of is that others than motorists use the roads and that many of our thoroughfares were primarily built as means of access to residential areas and part of the cost is offset by income from rates on property; whilst, in any event, even if there were not a motor car in the Colony, a considerable sum would still be spent yearly on road upkeep. This is one of the aspects of the question which we hope to see the Automobile Association take up seriously with the Government in order that the motoring community may not be unduly penalised. On the other hand, it is up to the Government to indicate its own ideas on the amount of revenue which it thinks it can reasonably expect from motor vehicles. Once that is known, the issue will be narrowed down to essentials and an investigation of the possibilities will become so much easier.

The Fire Brigade.

The brief discussion in Legislative Council yesterday of Fire Brigade efficiency and service conditions brought to light some very interesting facts. It was admitted by the Government, who for once in a while, went very fully into the questions raised, that the personnel of the Brigade has been subject to a constant ebb and flow, rather bearing out the allegation that the high percentage of new recruits has kept all-round efficiency low. It is thought, however, that the difficulty has now been overcome. Since the beginning of the present year, all Chinese members of the Brigade have been called upon to sign an agreement for five years' service and to provide a security against their due performance of the contract. We are told that the option given to the men of signing or resigning, accounts for the large number of casualties in the first four months of the year, and that the vacancies having been filled, the Brigade is likely to be stabilised at full strength in the very near future. To some extent, we feel the Government is rather fortunate to be in such a happy position. The wages question insofar as the present members of the Brigade are concerned is a minor one. It seems obvious that if the wages paid were the cause of general dissatisfaction, com-

DAY BY DAY.

NO GENTLEMAN EVER SCOFFS AT THE BELIEF OF ANYONE.

Two further Chinese cases of small-pox were notified yesterday.

Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o will present the prizes at Wah Yan College on Thursday, May 23, at 5.15 p.m.

Injured in the left wrist by a spinning jenny, a woman worker at the Kowloon Works at Kennedy Town was yesterday admitted into the Government Civil Hospital.

Mr. Chu Chang-nien, of the Chinese Foreign Office, is visiting the Colony with his wife. Mr. Chu has recently been appointed Consul to Norway and Sweden.

After leaping from the Yaumatei ferry launch Man Lee in an attempt to commit suicide, yesterday, a Chinese changed his mind and swam back to the launch. He was taken back aboard the craft, in a very sobered frame of mind.

It is advertised that on Whit Monday, May 20, all departments of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., will be closed. The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

A Chinese, who arrived by boat from Wuchow yesterday, said he had never been here before, was caught with opium in his boots and yesterday bailed himself out for \$100. It was a small amount of opium for his own consumption and the Magistrate forfeited half of the bail.

Mr. A. A. L. Tison, who has been H.B.M. Vice-Consul in Canton for the past year, and acting Consul-General for the last month, left Canton yesterday afternoon by the s.s. Lungshan for Hongkong on his way to Foochow, where he will take up his new appointment as British Consul.

A Chinese found in possession of a small quantity of raw opium at 248 Des Voeux Road West this morning was fined \$200 or a month's imprisonment. His house was being searched on an arms warrant and the opium was found under the bed. No arms or ammunition were found.

The Mei, a seaman of the motor schooner An Tung, Maria, was charged at the Marine Court this morning for attempting to leave harbour without a clearance. The vessel was bound for Macao with a cargo of spirits, having arrived from Haploong on the day of arrest. Defendant was fined \$100, or three months' imprisonment.

Mr. W. Wyatt, second officer of the s.s. Gambode, lying at the central jetty of the Hongkong and Whampoa Docks, has reported to the Water Police that some time between two o'clock and six o'clock yesterday morning, someone stole a lifeboat which was moored alongside No. 5 hatch. The report further states that the boat was tethered by ropes, which were cut.

Convicted of a charge of larceny of a raincoat, the property of Felix Dunnett, a student of the Diocesan Boys' School, a Chinese was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The complainant alleged that the coat was stolen from his locker, but the defendant stated that he picked it up on the playground.

plaints would have been made. The only object which an increase would seem to justify would be the attraction to the service of a different type of man, gifted not only with physical strength, but with a certain amount of intelligence. The Government view apparently is that it does not propose to pay employees for thinking for themselves. This may possibly be due to a feeling that a man of greater intelligence would be even less readily prepared to submit to Fire Brigade "discipline," which is by far a greater cause of grievance. The day's presence at the Station, and these demands, says the Government, are met by a grant of twenty-four hours every six days. Most of the time, of course, the firemen are inactive, and it is in this state of affairs, long periods with nothing to do, which makes the conditions seem unnecessarily onerous. Greater freedom might be afforded, without loss of effectiveness in the event of an outbreak of fire, and the Government would do well to study their position with this in mind.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended May 17th, 1908:

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 10.74d.

Senhor Redro Coutinho resigned the Governorship of Macao.

The Hongkong branch of the China Association wired to London protesting against the intention of the British Government to order the immediate closing of opium divans in Hongkong, on the ground that it would be unfair to dislocate the Colony's finances so suddenly.

Mlle. Morel, daughter of the Governor of Tonkin, unveiled the memorial erected in Kowloon in

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Varied Selection of Pictures To-Morrow.

To-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement will again contain a varied selection of pictures of topical interest.

Included in these will be a number taken at Sharnen during the past week, showing the Chinese gunboats prior to their surrender, the defences on the Bund, and other illustrations.

Several pictures will appear of the opening of the South China A.A. pavilion at King's Park last Sunday, whilst the Volunteer Defence Corps dinner will also be illustrated.

A charming study of Miss Doris Victoria Mann, who is shortly to marry Mr. W. G. Robertson, will appear, as well as a group taken at the wedding of Mr. C. Kwong and Miss Lily Leung.

Other pictures will include the K.O.S.B. team which won the Athletic Cup, and "The Choristers" of H.M.S. Stormcloud.

memory of sailors of the French destroyer Franche who lost their lives in the 1906 typhoon.

Mr. H. W. Slade was appointed a member of the Legislative Council during the absence of the Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, whilst Sir Henry Berkeley was appointed to act during the Hon. Mr. Henry Keswick's absence.

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Your opponent has waved a red flag in front of you. You know that the opener holds at least two quick tricks. Have you the necessary strength to oppose the bid? Are you "snowed under" before you start?

The object of bidding is to make game or to prevent opponents from making game. This may be accomplished by capturing the bid or by "boosting" so that the opponents are forced to bid beyond their contracting ability. "Boosting," however, must not be accomplished at too great a sacrifice, for it may act as a homerun, suffering severe penalties instead of inflicting them on your adversaries. It is of the utmost importance to know when to bid. It is equally important to know when to remain silent.

Bidding is influenced by the score. When your adversaries have made a partial score they may be tempted to bid on less than the minimum requirements for an initial bid. Do not permit yourself to succumb to this temptation, for it is never just-

The Very Idea!

London never ceases to surprise. In the Tube my attention was drawn to an elderly passenger, says a paragraph writer. He did not seem particularly needy, and I was somewhat startled to see him thrust forth his stick, from the end of which a nail struck out, and transfixed a cigarette end. He transferred his find to a large pocket with the nonchalance of long habit. Important social problems are raised here: Does this collector own a Tube season for the purpose of snapping up these unconsidered trifles, or has he retired from an active career and is the force of habit too strong for him?

Donald (handing account to tailor): "Wad ye mind receiptin' this account for \$5?"

Tammas: "With pleasure, Donald." (Hand over receipt.)

Donald: "Thank ye kindly. I'll hand the money to my brither. You're due him that for mendin' yer counter."

I hope from the bottom of my bank-book that the confidence of my Conservative friends may be justified by the event.—Mr. Arthur A. Baumann.

Every day, life, as we see it reflected in the newspapers, becomes more and more like a novel written by Edgar Wallace.—Mr. Robert Lynd.

There is a tendency to regard religion, like music or drawing at school, as one of life's extras, to be taken or left, according to taste.—The Bishop of Winchester.

It appears difficult for anyone to get on in these times without giving a pledge.—Lord Grey.

The only people I have heard speak English as it should be spoken were an Indian and a Scotsman.—Miss Sybil Thorndike.

Woman at Bow County Court: The language used was on a graduated scale, some moderate and some very immoderate.

Willesden Carpenter: I am not really a skilled man, but I was lucky enough to be pushed into a foreman's job.

Willesden Wife: He told me so often to clear out that at last I thought I would go and see how it worked. Now I am perfectly penitent.

Willesden defendant: I may have a violent temper, but surely a man has a right to whatever sort of temper he prefers.

Judge Turner, at Clerkenwell County Court: If a man damages badly one leg of your trousers he is obliged to give you a new pair. He cannot make you take only one leg.

[A gossip writer suggests that a tactful party might be made quite a success.]

Pour out the soda-water.
Foam high the lemonade;
Be generous with the gingerbeer.
Let all the liquified good cheer
Be lavishly displayed.
Till everybody must confess
The party is a huge success.

Our youth is sick of cocktails,
Which is not very strange.
And having had its foolish dip
Is game to welcome anything
That makes a little change—
A chance for truly bright young folk
Now to achieve a master-stroke.

For such as tackled liquor
With far more vim than sense,
But still from fashion take their cue.

Pure water might provide a new
And weird experience.
For as they sip the liquid bliss
They'll murmur, "Good! But what is this?"

Peter had been passing judgment on a neighbour, a judgment that was far from flattering.

"I hate the old cat," he cried, stamping his foot.

"You shouldn't say that, Peter," corrected his mother. "The Bible says we must love everybody."

"I know," was the reply, "but Miss Tibot wasn't alive when the Bible was written."

nable. No matter what the state of the score, your initial bid must be sound and must contain two quick tricks.

After opponent has made a bid, however, the above inhibition does not apply. By making a defensive bid, you should not deliberately deceive your partner. You should endeavour to save the game. This, however, must not be attempted in a hit-or-miss fashion. You must respect your opponent's bid, especially when it is no trump. You need not become speechless or collapse merely because opponents have bid, but as a basic guide before making a defensive suit bid, always ask yourself the following question:

"Does my hand contain approximately 1-2 quick-tricks?" If you answer the question in the negative, be a good sport and pass. It is not ordained that you should play every hand.

CLINIC HOSPITAL.
DISASTER.DEATH-ROLL CLIMBING
STEADILY.GIRL TELEPHONE OPERATOR'S
HEROISM.

KILLED BY POISON GAS.

New York, May 16. The newspapers are filled with graphic stories of the terrible disaster at the Cleveland Clinic Hospital, detailing the ghastly effects of the poison gas.

Many of the victims of the gas have since succumbed in terrible agony, as the result of the poison acting upon the blood. Of the forty persons reported to be in a critical condition, a number have passed away and the death-roll has now mounted to 125.

A most stringent investigation into the disaster is proceeding, and the fire is officially attributed to spontaneous combustion of the celluloid X-Ray plates in the basement store-room, due to over-heating as the result of a leaking steam-pipe.

The building still reeks of the dead poison gas, which permeated through the premises from the burning films and from the laboratories.

"Greater Love"

Outstanding among the many heroic attempts at rescue in the Clinic is the story, reminiscent of shipping mishaps, of a telephone operator, Miss Gladys Gibson, of Scottish ancestry, who remained at her switchboard while the fire raged and in deadly peril from fumes, sending out warnings to every part of the famous Clinic and summoning police, firemen and ambulances to the scene.

She collapsed and died as she was being carried out of the blazing building.

Died in Agony.

Earlier messages stated that there were 98 dead as the result of the hospital disaster. Forty others are in a critical state and have only a fighting chance of surviving. Doctors are still desperately administering artificial respiration.

The Coroner last night attributed only four or five deaths to burns. Survivors declare that the agony undergone by those who were incinerated could not be less horrible than the convulsions of the victims of the deadly gas, the identity of whom has not yet been established.

Resembled Phosgene.

One of the founders of the clinic is of the opinion that the gas resembles phosgene used during the war, and said the victims were dead in less than a minute after inhaling it.

The deadliness of the gases given off by the burning X-ray films is evidenced in the case of a woman on the first floor. She smashed a window in order to leap into a net spread below, but as she was climbing the window sill she was enveloped in a mist of noxious vapours and fell back into the room, dead.

A doctor, interviewed by Reuter, said the gases given off were principally carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, ammonia and bromine.—Reuter's American Service.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Sonatas.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—May I put in a word in the sonata dispute?

I open the dictionary and read: "Sonata—piece of instrumental music made up of two, three, or the most, four parts of different character and rhythm."

"Sonata for one single or several instruments is a sort of symphony," therefore, in a sonata for two instruments, these, whatever they may be, co-operate towards a blended harmony.

It is evident that with its numerous resources and its wealth of accents, the pianoforte is called upon to take in this harmony a more considerable share than the other instrument. This fact is particularly noticeable in modern compositions. I would mention as examples the Sonatas for piano and cello of St. Saens, Guy Ropartz and Harry Ore.

The definition of the Sonata given above would seem to indicate that the passages which make it up have no connexion between them (different character and rhythm).

I think, however, that I have perceived, in modern compositions particularly, that the spirit which imbues each piece of the sonata is imbued in the same throughout, and that accordingly the unity of the whole work is indisputable.

It is not necessary for this, however, that a same theme should be treated and developed in various movements, as implied by another critic.—Yours, etc.

C. B.

Hongkong, May 16th, 1929.

SERIOUS KOWLOON
CHARGES.ALLEGED INTIMIDATION AND
CONSPIRACY.

CASE FOR COMMITTAL.

Douglas Gifford (24), unemployed, Chau Tak, unemployed, and Cheng Hang-kwong, electrician, appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on charges of conspiracy to defraud and intimidation.

The full charges against the defendants were:

(1).—That they, on May 14 and 15, unlawfully did conspire, combine and confederate together to obtain money by means of a false pretence, to wit, that they were in a position to charge one, Wong Yau, a married woman of No. 870, Canton Road, with the crime of larceny of electricity whereas and in fact they were not in a position to do so;

(2).—That they, on May 15, unlawfully did threaten one Wong Yau with injury to her reputation, namely to charge the said Wong Yau with the crime of larceny of electricity with the intent in such case to cause the said Wong Yau to do an act which she was not legally bound to do, to wit, to pay the sum of several tens of dollars, in order to avoid the said charge being made.

The prosecution asked for a week's formal remand, intimating that on the instructions of the Public Prosecutor the case would be treated as a committal one.

The defendants were all remanded till next Friday.

CHINESE ADMIRAL'S
LANDING.INSPECTS GUARD FROM THE
K.O.S.B.

This morning, Rear-Admiral H. Y. Chen, commanding the two Chinese cruisers now in port, made an official landing, his appearance with such formality taking the public somewhat by surprise. The first intimation of what was to happen was signalled at about 10.30 this morning by the marching of the pipers of the King's Own Scottish Borderers at the head of a column of men from this Battalion into Statue Square. They drew up in front of Queen's Pier, a Guard of Honour smartly forming up at the entrance.

Shortly afterwards, the Chinese Rear-Admiral landed, accompanied by a number of his officers. They were welcomed by Captain F. G. Sillitoe, A.D.C., representing His Excellency the Governor. After the usual musical honours had been rendered by the Band, the Rear-Admiral carried out an inspection of the Guard of Honour. He was then escorted to a waiting motor-car and drove away, bound for Government House where he made a call on His Excellency the Governor.

The whole proceedings from the time the Guard of Honour and Band assembled and the departure of the Chinese visitors from the Pier, did not last more than ten minutes. The parade was witnessed by a large crowd which had quickly assembled.

REMOVING BODY OF
A SUICIDE.TWO MEN AND BOY CHARGED
AT KOWLOON.

Following the discovery of the body of a Chinese on the reclamation at Shamshuipo, the police arrested two men and a boy and this morning brought them before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy, on a charge of removing or assisting in the removal of the body.

The defendants pleaded guilty. It was stated by Detective Sergeant Meadows that on the body being discovered it was found that there were marks of a rope round the neck. Enquiries revealed that the man had committed suicide and the defendants had removed the body.

The third defendant, who was only 16 years of age, was stated to have apparently been acting under the instructions of the first two men.

The first two defendants were each fined \$10 or 14 days, the third being cautioned.

FAIR TO SHOWERY.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains to the East of Japan and has weakened considerably. A trough of low pressure extends from South China across Formosa to the Pacific.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—South-West or variable winds, moderate; fair to showery.

WANTED CEMENT
FOR BATH!NOVEL EXCUSE ON CHARGE
OF THEFT.

COOLIES WHO BOLTED.

With an eye to enjoying the amenities of life, two coolies stole a bag of cement from the Lam Woo Company, building contractors.

The first stated that there was no bathing accommodation in his matshed and therefore he was going to spend his leisure hours in building a bath!

The second said that the cook-house was sadly in need of repair and that was why he assisted the first accused to carry the bag.

Both coolies were charged with theft before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Police Court this morning, and there was some confusion in the case.

The prosecution stated that the two coolies were apprehended by the watchman when they were carrying the bag away. One of them ran away and the other was arrested. When the latter was being interrogated at the Police Station, he too made good his escape, but both were later recaptured at their place of employment.

The coolies strongly denied that they had run away and individually explained why they had taken the cement.

The first defendant added, in all innocence, that he had been employed by a sub-contractor for about ten years and it was the custom of all the employees to take what they wanted. He wanted the cement to build a bathroom and he took it!

Mr. Smith:—Did you ask the owner?—Of course not. Well, that is stealing you know. Of course it is not stealing. There were quite a number of people about at the time and we usually take away materials from the contractors we work for. That is the usual system. I have done it for ten years, and it is not stealing.

The second coolie could only say that he "helped to carry the cement," and that, in any case, he wanted it to repair the cookhouse in the matshed.

The Magistrate stated that there was no doubt the contractor had suffered from a series of minor thefts in past years and therefore the case had been brought forward.

Each prisoner was fined \$20, with the alternative of 14 days' hard labour.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in port this morning:

Basin.—H.M.S. Tamar.
North Arm.—H.M.S. Sepoy.
W. W. Dock.—H.M.S. Cornwall.
In Dock.—H.M.S. Bruce, Somme, Sirdar.
Foreign Men-of-War.—French gunboat Argus, U.S.S. Tulsa; Chinese cruisers Yang Swee and Hai Yang.

ANOTHER BIG MERGER.

New York, May 16. Another million dollar amalgamation is announced, this being between the Equitable Trust Company of New York and the National Seaboard Bank of New York.—Reuter's American Service.

GRENADIER GUARDS
ON PARADE.INSPECTED BY H.R.H. THE
DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

COLOURFUL SCENES.

London, May 16.

The Grenadier Guards, on the Horse Guards Parade, were inspected by the Duke of Connaught this morning. All three battalions of the Grenadiers were on parade, one Battalion coming from the Tower of London and other Battalions from Chelsea Barracks and Brompton Barracks.

The Duke of Connaught, wearing the uniform of the Grenadiers, of whom he had been Colonel for twenty-five years, arrived in company with the Prince of Wales, who was in the uniform of the Welsh Guards. In a window of the archway sat the Duke and Duchess of York, Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Princess Royal.

Two hundred policemen, who had worn the uniform of the Regiment, stood upon the Duke's left, their blue uniforms contrasting vividly with the scarlet of the soldiers. On the Duke's right were drawn up lines of civilians who were formerly in the Grenadiers.

The Duke rode along the ranks, inspecting the Battalions and ex-Guardsmen, and then to the music of the bands of the Regiment, the Battalions marched in column of companies past the saluting base.

The Duke of Connaught took the salute once more at the gateway of Clarence House, his home, while the band played.

Half an hour later, the First Battalion were marching back through the city to the Tower of London. They exercised their ancient privilege of marching through the city with fixed bayonets, and from the balcony of Mansion House the Lord-Mayor took their salute.—British Wireless.

KOWLOON TRAFFIC
CASES.WHITE LINE WHICH MISLED
MOTORIST.

Charges of causing obstruction, by leaving their cars outside the Star Theatre in Hankow Road, were brought against Mr. E. J. de Figueiredo and Mr. J. Shea, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Mr. Shea remarked to his Worship that there was a white line drawn on the road, giving the impression that it had been painted there to indicate a parking stand. In reply to his Worship, Sub-Inspector McWalter said that the line had nothing to do with the Traffic Department. It might have been drawn by the P.W.D.

Mr. Shea pointed out that the line was rather misleading.

Both defendants were fined \$5. A summons against Mr. J. J. Basto, who was alleged to have disobeyed the traffic signals at the junction of Salisbury and Nathan Roads was dismissed, on the constable failing to identify the driver.

The defendant said that at the time in question he was in his office and the car might have been taken out by someone else. The constable was unable to say whether the defendant was the driver or not.

BRITISH GENERAL
ELECTION.MR. BALDWIN AND THE
WHITE PAPER.LIBERAL MISREPRESENTATION
RESPONSIBLE.

ONLY THING POSSIBLE.

London, May 16. Fashionably dressed women mingled with the top-hatted business and industrial magnates which assembled at a meeting of the City of London electors, addressed by Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, this afternoon.

At the outset, Mr. Baldwin ventured a reply to the attack by the Liberal and Labour leaders regarding the issue of the White Paper dealing with unemployment. Mr. Lloyd George described the White Paper as an election manifesto, and its publication as a White Paper as thoroughly discreditable. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was equally severe, and has also accused the Tories of using Civil Servants to augment their headquarters staff.

Paid For Itself.

Mr. Baldwin mentioned that the sales of the White Paper had already exceeded the cost of production, and he went on to charge the Liberals with acting unconstitutionally and with being guilty of misrepresentation when they asserted that Civil Servants were unable to find a flaw in Mr. Lloyd George's scheme.

The Government forbore publishing the Civil Servants' criticisms of the scheme as this would have been unconstitutional, and in publishing the White Paper they did the only possible thing—to stop further misrepresentation and to protect the Civil Servants.

Old Politics Justified.

Mr. Baldwin went on to deal with Britain's future economic status, and urged that a Conservative Government was essential at the present time to enable the slow process of reconstruction to continue.

He said that within the general area of the City of London, there was unrivalled financial power and responsibility. It had not been built up on new policies, but primarily on the old.

Referring to the safeguarding of industries, Mr. Baldwin said that safeguarding would normally be applied after appreciation of the specific industry and after an impartial inquiry.

The iron and steel industry would have to make out its case before a tribunal.

No Food Duties.

The Prime Minister further announced that he had pledged himself to impose no food duties.

An interesting announcement was also made to-day by Sir Austen Chamberlain, who was addressing his constituents in Birmingham. He said that Mr. Baldwin had invited him to continue as Foreign Secretary in the new Parliament and he proposed to do so.

Only three days remain for Parliamentary nominations to close, but it is not anticipated that the present position of the party candidates will be materially changed. There are unlikely to be any withdrawals, and few last-minute candidates.

Results May Be Late.

Polling takes place exactly a fortnight from to-day, and with the huge increase in the electorate and millions more votes to count, it is expected that fewer election results will be announced on polling night, and these later than hitherto.

Furthermore, as this is "summer time," the election polling hours may be extended an hour in the boroughs of industrial divisions. This is a further reason why the authorities in many constituencies may postpone the counting until May 31.—Reuter.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, May 16.	
Paris	124.15
New York	485.14
Brussels	34.02
Geneva	25.18
Amsterdam	12.78
Milan	92.05
Berlin	20.40
Stockholm	18.16
Copenhagen	18.20
Oslo	18.19
Vienna	34.54
Prague	163.4
Helsinki	153.3
Madrid	34.15
Lisbon	108.2
Athens	87.5
Rio	5.57/64
Buenos Aires	47.5/16
Bombay	1/5.23/82
Shanghai	2/64
Hongkong	1/11 1/4
Yokohama	1/10.3/82
Silver (spot and forward)	23.2/16

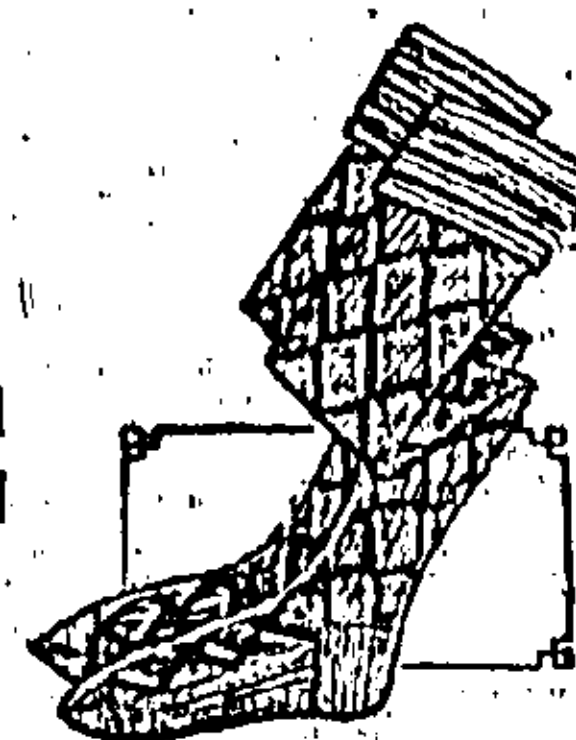
—British Wireless.

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LIGHT WEIGHT
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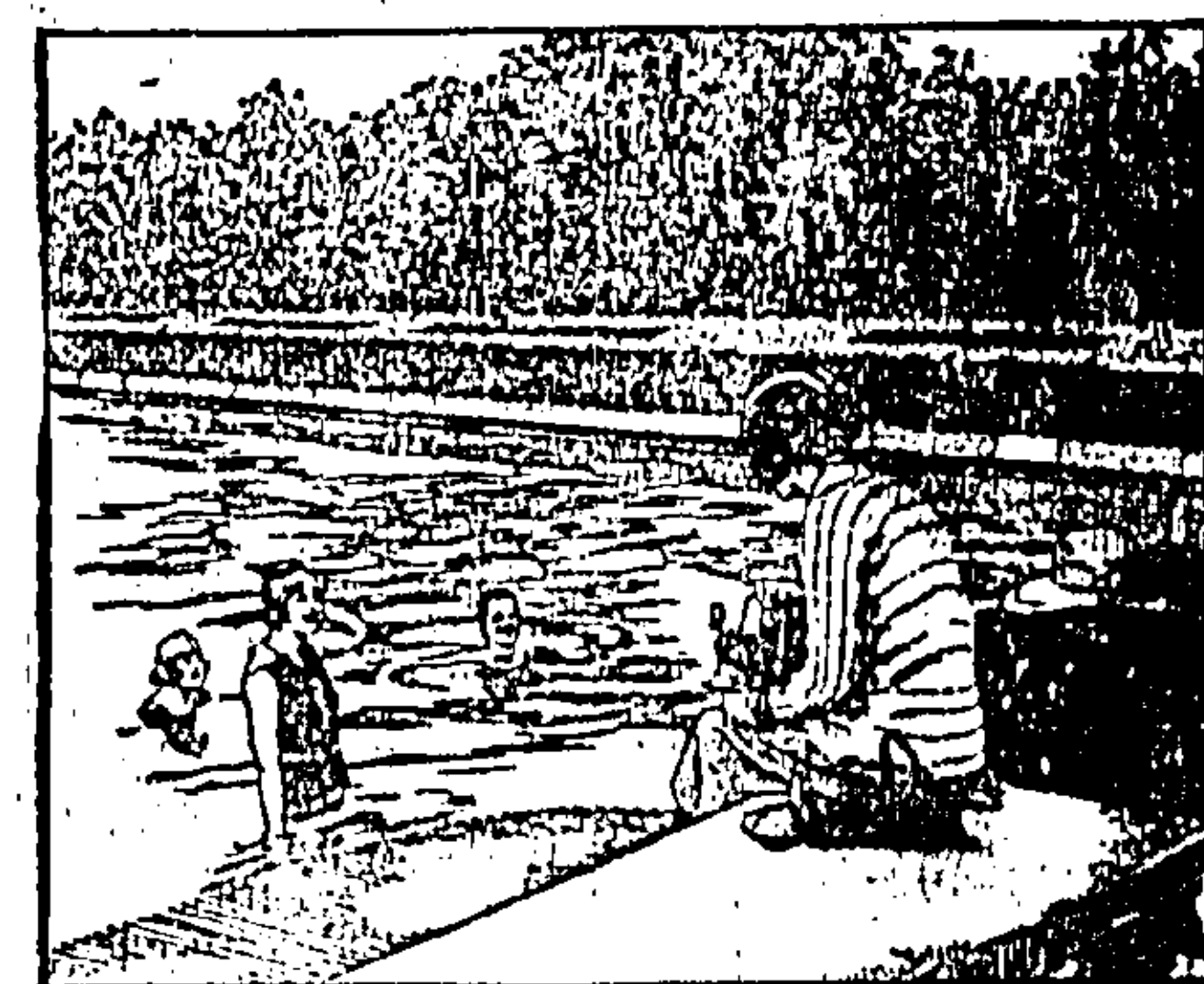


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NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.



"Oh, Fred, we've just been to a fortune teller, and she told me how you can clear up all your business troubles!"

DETECTIVE THRILLER! THE BLACK PIGEON.

By Anne Austin.

CHAPTER XXXV

Ruth's last words, before sleep settled upon her, like a smothering elderdown comfort, were: "Please come back to me, daddy. I'm not clever enough to save Jack without your help. It's just the kind of case you always loved. You could make all the pieces of the puzzle fit. Come back and laugh at me for being so stupid—so stupid—"

And with miraculous suddenness, part of that drowsy, naive prayer was answered. Subconsciously, Ruth Lester knew that she was dreaming, that her actual body—aching with fatigue—was lying on her couch bed in her tiny bachelor apartment, that her adored father, Colby Lester, always referred to as "the famous criminal lawyer," was dead. But her prayer was being answered, and what did it matter that it was only a dream? But she mustn't wake up too soon.

The dream was a kindly one, not fantastic or absurd. She was back again in her father's library, curled kittenwise in his arms, watching with fascinated blue eyes as his long, slim fingers arranged and rearranged bits of a jigsaw puzzle spread out on the desk before him.

"What is that big, square-shaped piece, daddy?" she heard her own voice inquiring, as those expert fingers made a quick rearrangement of the pieces of the jigsaw puzzle. "That, infant?" she distinctly heard his beloved, familiar chuckle. "Why, that's the orchid-tinted letter, of course."

Perhaps, Ruth mourned later, if she had not cried out so sharply at that she would not have awakened, watching with fascinated blue eyes as his long, slim fingers arranged and rearranged bits of a jigsaw puzzle spread out on the desk before him.

With the sharp clarity of mind and memory which comes in the small hours of the night, Ruth recalled every detail of a scene which she had forgotten throughout the dreadful first day of the police investigation into the murder of Henry P. Borden.

She saw again the large, square, orchid-tinted envelope, with its distinctive, angular handwriting in violet ink, saw herself seated at her desk in the outer office of Borden's suite, sorting Saturday morning's mail, laying aside unopened, the exotic missive marked "Personal," saw, later, the gesture of repulsion and anger with which Henry Borden flicked the unwelcome letter across his desk, then heard again the muttered oath with which he picked it up and thrust it, unopened, into the breast pocket of his vest.

In her excitement, Ruth sat straight up in bed, her hands clasped to her wildly beating heart. Where was that letter now? She had seen Detective Sergeant McMann go through the murdered man's pockets, could clearly recall now every item he had taken from them. And no orchid-tinted letter had been among them!

Had Borden, some time between his receipt of the letter and his death, taken it out of his vest pocket, read it, torn it across and tossed it into his wastebasket? Certainly he had not done so before she herself left the office at 20 minutes after one, for her last act of service to the man who had been murdered had been to help him clear his desk of accumulated memoranda and advertising matter issued by other promoters on stock as dubious as his own. She had tossed the worthless papers into the empty wastebasket which stood beside his desk.

Perhaps he had read the letter and thrown it away after she had left, but if so, it was the first of the orchid-tinted letters, of which he had received several during the four months she had worked for him, to find its way into his office wastebasket and thence, possibly, into the possession of a curious reader. But if it had not gone into the basket and been taken out, with the rest of the papers, by Minnie Cassidy, where was it now?

"If, as McMann seemed to believe, Rita Dubois had robbed his dead body, why should she also steal a letter written to Borden by another woman? There was no possibility that Rita herself was the writer. The orchid-tinted envelopes marked "Personal" had been coming to Borden's office long before he had ever met and fallen in love with the dancer.

If Mrs. Borden had killed her husband before Rita's arrival and robbing of the body, she could not have known of the existence of the letter, taking it if she had known for the letter had not been written by Elizabeth Borden. Ruth knew the discarded wife's handwriting very well, had seen her small, delicate, precise signature each month as an endorsement of

Borden's cheque for separation allowance.

Suddenly the obvious course of action occurred to the excited girl. There was no use in puzzling and worrying over the letter now, but to-morrow morning... She lay back on her pillows, welcomed the waves of sleep which immediately began to dull her brain, for maybe Colby Lester, her father, would come to her again.

Colby Lester did not come again that night, but the next morning his daughter woke, feeling strangely happy and comforted, quite equal to performing the two errands she had set herself—without benefit of police sanction—and then, as she had impulsively expressed it to Jack Hayward the night before, to taking charge of the investigation into the murder of Henry P. Borden!

While she was dressing, a sudden thought occurred to Ruth, and she ran to the front window of her tiny apartment. As she had expected, she saw a man strolling leisurely up and down the sidewalk across the street from her apartment house, his head turning now and then to glance casually toward the cheaply pretentious entrance.

Ruth blew a finger-tip kiss to the thrice-remembered watcher, laughed exultingly, then whirled back to her dressing-table. "I'm going to lead you an awful chase, dear, obvious old 'shadow'!" she promised him.

And she kept her promise. Twice, as the detective's taxi drew almost abreast of hers, the girl thought she was going to be stopped and questioned, but undoubtedly the man had his orders not to jerk on the leash.

The first was not a long trip. Ruth's taxi drew up before an old but dignified apartment house in one of those side streets which offer their residents an impeccable address—the kind of address which makes department store saleswomen look at the owner with interest and respect.

"Please wait. I shan't be long," Ruth directed her driver. "Mrs. Borden is not seeing anyone, miss," the uniformed doorman told her, when she asked to be announced over the house telephone.

"Please get Mrs. Borden on the phone, and tell her that Miss Ruth Lester wants to see her on a matter of vital importance," Ruth directed crisply.

Three minutes later Borden's widow and his secretary confronted each other in the large foyer of Mrs. Borden's apartment. Deep shadows from a sleepless, grief-ridden night lay like black, moth wings beneath the widow's eyes, and accentuated the ghastly pallor of her face.

Before Mrs. Borden could frame her dignified protest at the intrusion, Ruth put the question she had come to ask: "Mrs. Borden, would you please tell me what you know about Martha Manning?"

At the name, colour flooded her pale face and her eyes flashed angrily. Ruth was almost sorry she had come.

"How dare you mention that woman's name to me?" Mrs. Borden gasped, her hand at her throat, as if the words were choking her. Then, by a visible effort, she regained a measure of control.

"I don't know whom you mean, or why you ask, Miss Lester! If Mr. McMann has any further questions to ask me—"

"Oh, please, dear Mrs. Borden!" Ruth pleaded. "I know you want to protect your husband's—past from the newspapers, but—he is dead, and it is your duty to tell anything you know which might help—"

"I have nothing to say to you, Miss Lester," Mrs. Borden interrupted coldly.

"I'm sorry to have troubled you, Mrs. Borden," Ruth said, gently, "and I want you to know that my sympathy, and my deepest sympathy, is with you—and without waiting for a reply, she reached for the knob of the door by which she had entered.

Her question had been answered, far more completely than the murdered man's widow could suspect. Ruth knew now why Mrs. Borden had refused on Monday to identify "the woman with the contralto voice." The mother of Harry Borden's legitimate children would die before she would admit, and thus publish to the world, her knowledge of the existence of an illegitimate half-brother of those children. How dreadful a burden that knowledge must have been all these years!

It was a saddened, subdued girl who gave the next address to the taxi driver.

"With a gyp cab's following us, that dick inside," the driver told her, out of the corner of his mouth, as she climbed into her taxi.



When Your Little One Wakens Unwell.

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"I know," Ruth smiled at him reassuringly. "The 'dick' is only doing his duty. There won't be any trouble."

The driver shook his head, hesitated about starting his motor. "I don't want to get mixed up in nothing, miss."

"Very well," Ruth agreed cheerfully, preparing to disembark. "If you don't want to drive me, I'll get the 'dick' to take me in his cab. I'll save taxi fare."

"Guess it's all right," her driver concluded, grinning at her impudence.

This time the trip was a long one, so long that Ruth cast more than one anxious glance at the meter, but at last she reached her destination—the suburban grocery store over which Minnie Cassidy lived in two cheerless rooms. Ruth had made the trip once before—on Christmas Day—to visit the old scrubwoman, temporarily bedridden with rheumatism.

Entrance was through the mean, dirty little store, inefficiently run by Minnie's son-in-law, with the help of the girl, Rose.

"Hello, Rose!" Ruth greeted the pretty, untidy girl behind the counter. "I want to see your mother."

"She's upstairs, Miss Lester. But isn't here, and I'm alone in the store. Would you mind going up alone?"

Ruth found Minnie Cassidy peering about a disordered kitchen. "Good land, child! What brings you here?" Minnie greeted the girl. "Here take the weight off your pretty feet! Phut! Don't bother! That's only the cat's saucer and it was crucked anyway."

Now, what's Tommy McMann been up to? Has he arrested your young man, and do you think old Minnie can help ye out? "I do think you can help me out, Minnie," Ruth smiled, "but Mr. McMann has not arrested Mr.

Hayward—yet... Listen, Minnie, and try hard to remember: when you were employing Mr. Borden's wastebasket Saturday, did you notice an orchid or lavender-coloured letter? It may have been torn up, of course, but I thought you might have noticed the unusual colour—"

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"Drawer?" Ruth repeated blankly. McMann had gone through every drawer in Borden's desk

(To Be Continued.)



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- 20051-Why Do I Always Remember. Crumit.
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BIAS BAY PIRACY.

POLICE ISSUE ANOTHER WARNING.

The Hongkong Police have received the following information: A gang of twelve pirates, ages between 30 and 40 years, all natives of the Bias Bay area, left Bias Bay on May 3, for Swatow, Shanghai, (cable address "Swanstock," Shanghai), who are not responsible for cable mutilations. These quotations are subject to confirmation:

FAMINE RELIEF.

STEAMER WITH GRAIN CARGO REFLOATED.

Shanghai, May 16.

The steamer Victoria, carrying Canadian grain destined for famine relief, which stranded on Tung-sha spit, was refloated this morning and has arrived at Shanghai.

Our Own Correspondent.

In previous messages fear was expressed that the cargo would have to be jettisoned to save the ship.

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AMERICAN STOCKS.

CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM NEW YORK.

The following quotations as at the close of the market on Thursday have been received from their correspondents, Messrs. Hayden, Stone and Co., of New York, by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Sassoon House, Shanghai, (cable address "Swanstock," Shanghai), who are not responsible for cable mutilations. These quotations are subject to confirmation:

Previous	Latest	Price.	Price.
Annacoda Copper	129	126	
Bethlehem Steel	106	105	
Chrysler Corp. (Common)	83	84	
General Motors (Common)	81	81	
Goodrich B.F. (Common)	85	84	
Granby Consolidated	77	76	
Copper	77	76	
International Cement (Common)	90	92	
Liggett and Myers "B"	89	91	
Missouri Pacific (Common)	93	93	
Navajo Consolidated	47	46	
Packard Motor Car (Common)	133	unq.	
Radio Corporation of America (Common)	94	96	
Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	60	60	
Standard Oil Co. of New York	42	41	
Southern Pacific	130	130	
Texas Corporation	65	65	
United States Leather	41	42	
United States Steel	177	176	
Willys Overland	25	25	
Vacuum Oil	unq.	123	

THE KING'S RECOVERY.

APPEAL ISSUED BY VICEROY OF INDIA.

Simla, May 16. The Viceroy has issued an all-India thanksgiving appeal to commemorate His Majesty's recovery. The proceeds will be utilised for the alleviation or prevention of sickness and disease in India.

Reuter.

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Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

H. MOEL, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1929.

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CONSTABLE CHARGED.

ALLEGED TO HAVE POSED AS
REVENUE OFFICER.

Before Major C. Willson at the
Central Police Court yesterday
afternoon, a Chinese constable
was charged with misconduct, in
that he posed as a Revenue Officer
and demanded a sum of \$2,000
from a foki of a native wine-shop
at Yumati under threats of
arresting him for possession of
duty wine-labels.

For the prosecution, A. S. P.
Murphy said that defendant was
assigned to search duty on river
steamers on the waterfront. On
April 19 last, when he was off-duty,
he intercepted Ngau Wah, an em-
ployee of the Lee On wine-shop at
Shantung Street, Yumati, and de-
manded to search his person for
wine-labels, giving it out that he
was an officer of the Revenue De-
partment. No labels were disclosed
by the search, but the defendant
was alleged to have carried the
matter further by asking for a
bribe of \$2,000. The foki was
given to understand that non-com-
pliance with the demand would
entail arrest. He said he had not
that large sum, and almost in one
breath, the defendant was then
alleged to have asked for \$400.

The foki promised to fetch the
money, and on returning to his
shop, he conveyed the situation to
another foki, who then got the
manager of the shop on the tele-
phone. A report being then made
at the Revenue Office, the defend-
ant was later arrested, while
waiting, it was alleged, in the ex-
pectation of being paid the money.

Cross-examined by Mr. F. H.
Loseby, on behalf of the defence,
the foki said he did not know of
any other duty labels than the red
and green ones obtained at the
Revenue Office.
The case was adjourned until
Wednesday.

BUSES COLLIDE.

SLIGHT INJURIES TO TWO
PASSENGERS.

An unusual collision between
two motor buses occurred near the
Peninsula Hotel yesterday after-
noon, as a result of which an In-
dian named Nawab Khan, barber,
No. 87, Austin Road, ground floor,
and a Chinese woman, Shek Tung,
of No. 264, Temple Street, were
sent to Kowloon Hospital with
slight injuries, but were not de-
tained.

It appears that about three o'clock
four motor buses were proceeding
along Salisbury Road towards
Nathan Road. The leading bus,
which belonged to the China
Motor Bus Company, stopped after
turning into Nathan Road just be-
fore the first stopping place was
reached. The following bus had
sufficient room to pull up behind
but the third bus collided with
the rear of the second bus and the
fourth crashed into the back of the
third. Having just rounded the
corner none of them were travel-
ling fast with the result that little
damage was done.

It is not known exactly how the
injured people received their
injuries, but it is believed they were
thrown forward. Nawab Khan
sustained injuries to his left tem-
ple, nose and mouth, and the
woman to her right side.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the
puzzle on another page.
WADE, WARE, WART, WAIT,
WHIT, WHIM, SHIM, SWIM.

KAI TACK CRASH VERDICT.

MARGIN OF SAFETY FOR
LANDING TOO SMALL.

ERROR OF JUDGMENT.

The inquiry into the deaths of
the three victims of the aeroplane
crash at the Kai Tack Aerodrome,
following the aerial demonstration
on the departure of I.R.H. the
Duke of Gloucester for Japan, was
concluded yesterday, when the
jury returned a verdict that the
deceased met their deaths through
an error of judgment on the part
of the pilot in landing.

Squadron Leader Keeble, in
reply to the Coroner, said that he
had been stationed at the Kai
Tack Aerodrome, on and off, since
October, 1926. During five months
of that period he was in com-
mand.

The Coroner: During the time
you have been there, can you give
us any idea of the number of
accidents there were in landing?

Witness: As far as I can re-
member, there has been only one
serious accident, but that was not
caused through the size of the
Aerodrome.

Witness repeated what he had
said at a previous hearing, that
there were two runs of 600 yards
at the aerodrome. One from East
to West and the other from North
to South.

The Coroner: How does that
compare with other aerodromes?
Witness: Well, it is bigger
than several aerodromes at home,
but there are others double the
size.

Could you say whether you con-
sider that people standing at the
fence there on the day in question
were safe?—Yes, in ordinary
circumstances. This was an
exception. The chances are one
in 1,000 or 10,000 that anything
would happen.

Witness added that he supposed
there had been about 100,000 land-
ings in the Kai Tack Aerodrome.
Witness said that the Aerodrome
was perfectly adequate for land-
ing for the type of machine used.

Not Dangerous.

Answering the foreman of the
jury, witness said that Lieut. Wat-
son could have landed very much
further back than he did. He
could have landed 400 yards from
the fence instead of 200 yards.
Witness estimated that it would
take five minutes for ten planes
to land one after the other; in
fact, witness said that five ma-
chines had been known to land
at the same time.

Witness did not consider the
landing of planes at 6.40 p.m.
dangerous. It was no safer to
use aeroplanes than aeroplanes.
In fact, there were no aeroplanes
at the Aerodrome, all having been
converted into land planes.

When asked if the Aerodrome,
when extended, would allow for
greater margin of safety, witness
said that a circle drawn from the
centre of the Aerodrome when
extended, would give a diameter
of 900 yards.

Continuing, witness said that
when the Aerodrome was first laid
out the high-tension cables and
the telegraph poles, near the
place where the fence was broken
in the accident, were removed so
as to avoid mishaps. He thought
it would be safer if masts were
not erected in that particular
locality.

The Coroner: Do you think that
anything should have been done
in the way of warning the crowd

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the goods have left the Godowns,
and all goods remaining undelivered
after 21st May, 1929, will be subject
to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Undersigned on
or before 28th May, 1929, or they
will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged
goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on any
Tuesday or Friday, between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, with-
in the Free Storage period of one
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OBITUARY.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A
TIENTSIN EDITOR.

Tientsin, May 16.

The death has occurred of Mr.
John Cowan, the Editor of the
North China Daily Mail.

While sitting in his chair after
tiffin, he fell asleep, and never
awoke.—Reuter.

of Chinese, standing about there,
to keep far away?

Witness: No.

And your reason, of course, is
the same as you stated before—
that there was about one 10,000th
of a chance?—Yes.

Is it quite a common thing for
aeroplane to come down in that
way and then, after the wheels
have actually touched ground, to
climb again when it is seen that
there is danger of over-shooting?
—Yes, that very often happens.

This concluded the evidence
and the Coroner summed up at
some length.

The Verdict.

After a short retirement the
jury made the following replies to
the questions put to them by the
Coroner:

1. The deceased was struck by
an aeroplane piloted by Lieut.
Watson, R. N.

2. No; but by an error of judg-
ment in effecting a landing which
the pilot discovered too late to
allow of his attempt to take off
again being successful, owing to
the restricted space at his dis-
posal.

The following riders were
added:

That in the opinion of the jury
although the extent of the Aero-
drome is adequate for normal pur-
poses, the margin of safety is too
small and that work of extension
should be accelerated as much as
possible.

They consider that in the mean-
time flights of a considerable
number of aeroplanes for demon-
stration should be avoided as they
are likely to attract people un-
necessarily in the vicinity of the
Aerodrome.

The jury in conclusion added an
expression of sympathy with the
relatives of the deceased.

The Coroner registered a
verdict of death by misfortune and
associated himself with the ex-
pression of sympathy recorded by
the jury.

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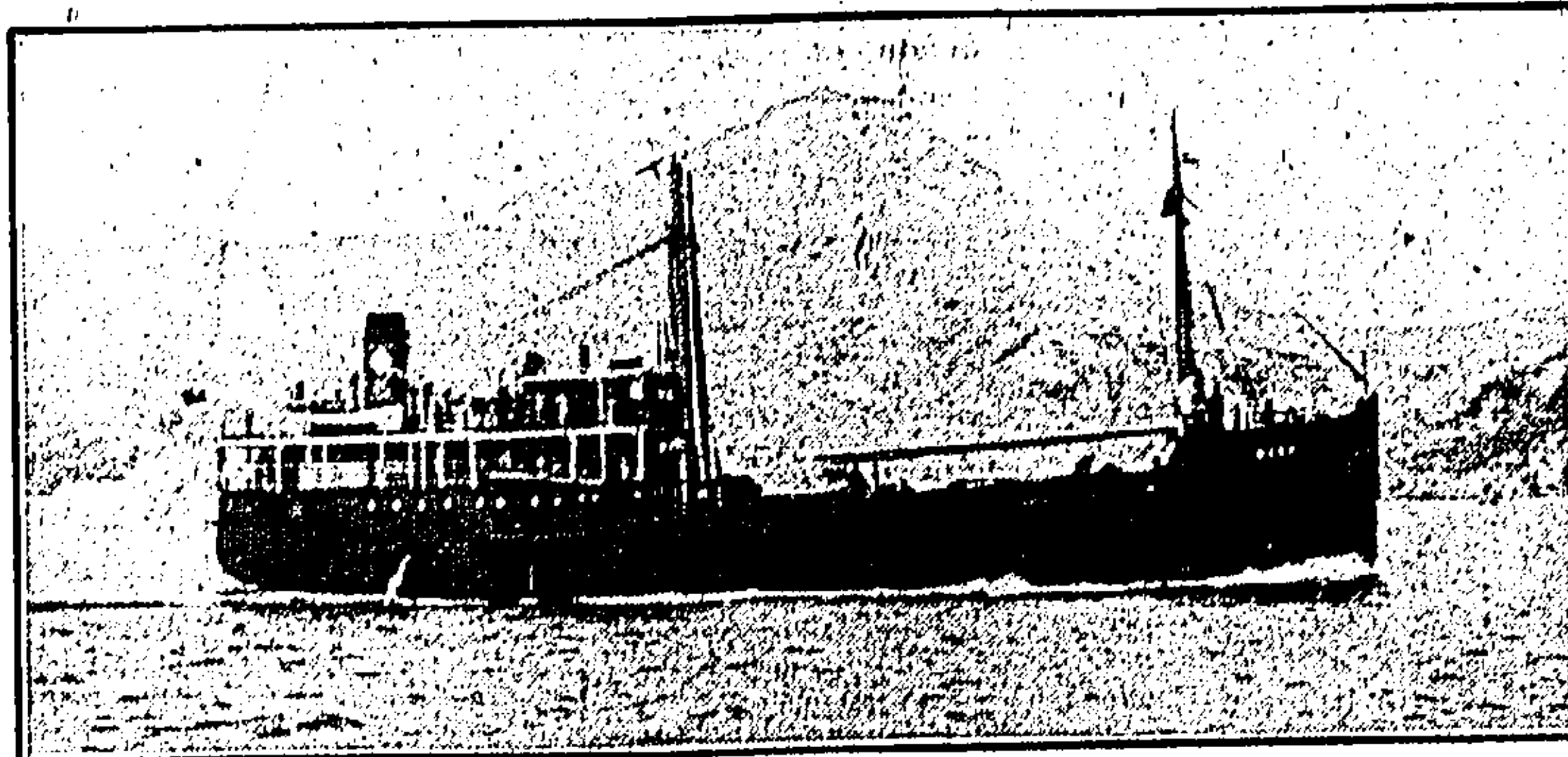
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JAPANESE TROOPS.

THEIR WITHDRAWAL FROM
SHANTUNG.

Shanghai, May 16.

A message from Tientsin on May
15 stated that the Japanese with-
drawal from the West of
Weihai has been completed.

while Japanese forces between
Weihai and Tientsin are being
withdrawn steadily. Order is
being well maintained along the
Shantung Railway.—Reuter.

Peking, May 16.

The first transport with evacu-
ating Japanese troops from Shan-
tung sailed on May 15.

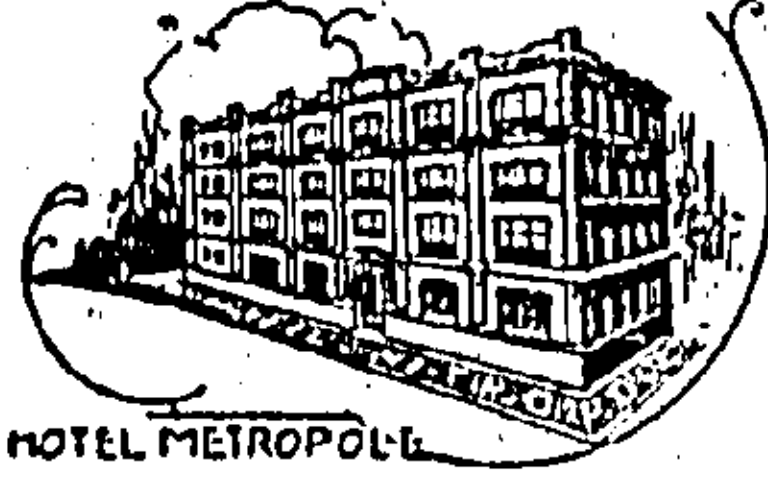
The evacuation will be com-
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IN LAST EIGHT.

ABE MITCHELL BEATEN BY
COMPSTON.

DUNCAN'S FINE FORM.

London, May 16.
The American competitors in the Thousand Guineas Golf Tournament were reduced to two as the result of to-day's rounds in the competition proper. The big surprise was the defeat of Walter Hagen by George Duncan, who confirmed his Ryder Cup victory over the American champion in a close fight.

Another surprise was the victory of Archie Compston over Abe Mitchell. Boomer had taken Compston to the 21st hole in the morning, but Mitchell played erratically in the afternoon and went down 4 and 2.

Strong British Contingent.

Britain has a very strong contingent in the last eight of the competition, and Compston and Duncan are favourites.

Duncan did well to beat Hagen as he started very badly. Hagen won the first two holes, Duncan fluffing his second at the first and taking three putts from 20 yards at the second.

Duncan won the third, holing a three-yrder, and the American won the fourth. Duncan squared at the sixth but was bunkered at the seventh. He became one down, but squared at the eighth, where he holed an eight-yrder and took the lead for the first time at the twelfth. He lost it at the sixteenth, when he missed a one and a half yrder.

The seventeenth was halve, both men playing great second shots. At the eighteenth, Hagen, putting first, laid a styler, but Duncan cleverly negotiated it from twelve yards and holed out.—*Reuter.*

First Round.

G. Duncan (unattached) beat W. Hagen (U.S.) by 1 hole.
A. Mitchell (private) beat F. Robson (Cooden Beach) by 1 hole.
H. C. Jolly (Foxgrove) beat L. H. Cotton (Coulson) by 5 and 4.
W. T. Twine (Ashford) beat J. Jurado (Argentina) by 3 and 2.
A. G. Havers (unattached) beat G. Faulkner (Bramley) by 3 and 2.
W. H. Davies (Wallacey) beat G. Gadd (Rochampton) by 3 and 1.
A. Compston (Coombe Hill) beat A. Boomer (St. Cloud) at the 21st.
C. A. Whitcombe (Crews Hill) beat T. H. Cotton (Langley) by 2 and 1.
E. D. Dudley (U.S.) beat C. Sayer (Birkdale) by 3 and 2.
L. Diegel (U.S.) beat A. Watrous (U.S.) by 1 hole.
J. Ockenden (N. Middlesex) beat C. Gray (Willingdon) by 1 hole.
J. Turness (U.S.) beat E. Whitcombe (Bournemouth) at the 19th.
Horton Smith (U.S.) beat T. Barber (Cavendish) by 2 holes.
J. J. Taylor (Richmond) beat J. Atkinson (Lees Hall) by 4 and 3.
S. P. Brews (S. Africa) beat A. Bradbeer (West Hill) by 2 holes.
A. Young (Sunning) beat Bert Hodson (Newport) at the 21st.

Second Round.

W. H. Davies beat A. G. Havers by 3 and 2.
G. Duncan beat J. Ockenden by 5 and 4.
H. C. Jolly beat W. T. Twine by 6 and 5.
A. Compston beat Abe Mitchell by 4 and 2.
J. Turness beat Horton Smith by 3 and 2.
J. J. Taylor beat S. P. Brews by 3 and 2.
L. Diegel beat E. D. Dudley by 6 and 4.
C. A. Whitcombe beat A. Young by two holes.

THE LADIES' FINAL.

Miss Wethered and Miss Collett. Miss Glenna Collett, the American lady champion, has been playing so brilliantly in the British Ladies' Golf Championship at St. Andrews that there has never been any doubt that she would reach the final.

The real interest in to-day's matches centred round the struggle between the British ladies for the right to meet Miss Collett in the final.

The final test came between those ancient rivals, Miss Joyce Wethered and Mrs. Guodella (formerly Miss Cecil Leitch) and Miss Wethered, who has only returned to competitive golf this season after a long respite, secured a handsome victory.

The final will be played to-morrow and a memorable match is expected as both players are on the top of their form.

Results to-day were:

Fifth Round.

Miss Doris Park beat Miss Wilson at the 19th.
Miss Glenna Collett beat Mrs. Watson by 3 and 2.
Miss Joyce Wethered beat Miss

FREEMAN'S GREAT BOWLING.

SEVEN WICKETS FOR 11 RUNS
AT LEICESTER.

BATTING COLLAPSES.

London, May 16.
The phenomenal low scoring which has been the general run in this season's cricket so far, is apparently to continue. Two county matches closed to-day after only two days' play, and neither match produced 500 runs all told.

Kent trounced Leicestershire at Leicester by ten wickets, thanks in the main to some remarkable bowling by Freeman. Leicestershire batted first scoring 99, to which Kent replied with 133. In their second innings, Leicestershire made 109, and Freeman took seven wickets for 11 runs! Kent requiring 76 to win, obtained this number without loss.

At Portsmouth, Hampshire gave another wretched display in spite of a fine bowling performance by Kennedy which gave them a slight advantage on the first innings against Derbyshire. Derby won by five wickets.

Hampshire batted first and scored 110, Mitchell taking 6 wickets for 42 runs, to which Derby replied with 99. Kennedy getting rid of nine batsmen at a cost of 46 runs, roughly five runs apiece.

Battling a second time, Hampshire made 111, one more than in their first innings, and Derbyshire gained a sound victory, hitting 123 runs for the loss of 5 wickets.—*Reuter.*

BOXING CONTESTS IN LONDON.

THREE CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS
ON ONE PROGRAMME.

TITLES CHANGE HANDS.

London, May 16.
A programme entailing the decision of three championships in one night, naturally drew to Olympia this evening one of the biggest crowds ever seen at a boxing show in England, and they had the most remarkable experience of seeing all the titles change hands.

This splendid fare was brought about by the efforts of the National Sporting Club, under whose auspices the contests were fought.

Chief interest was centred on the fifteen rounds' battle for the British and European middleweight championships between Alex Ireland (holder) and Len Harvey (London). Ireland has been thought by some people to hold the titles under great good fortune, and Harvey gained a smashing victory to-night, Ireland being knocked out in the seventh round.

The fight for the featherweight title between Harry Corbett (Bath and Green) and Johnny Cuthbert (Sheffield), holder and ex-holder, respectively, was in the nature of a return contest. Cuthbert recaptured the title by a brilliant exhibition of boxing, winning on points in fifteen rounds.

Teddy Baldock (Poplar) defeated the holder of the bantamweight championship, Kid Pattenden (Bethnal Green) on points over fifteen rounds.—*Reuter.*

ROBBERS BIND UP VICTIMS.

THREE ARRESTS MADE BY
THE POLICE.

An isolated hut at Ngau Shi Wan, in the Kowloon City district, was the scene of an armed robbery last night, when five men held up the tenant, a motor car driver and robbed him of money and property to the value of \$19.

No resistance was offered as the men forced their way into the hut, after knocking the victim into opening the door by pretending that they had come to buy cakes. A knife was held in a menacing way by one of the men.

The tenant and two small girls were bound with wires, from which they freed themselves after the departure of the robbers, and raised the alarm.

Prompt action taken by the police led to the arrest of three men who are alleged to have been amongst those concerned in the robbery. A suit of clothes valued at \$7 has been recovered.

Nolly Gourley by 7 and 5.
Mrs. Guodella beat Miss Pyman by 3 and 2.

Semi-Finals.

Miss Collett beat Miss Park by 4 and 3.
Miss Wethered beat Mrs. Guodella by 6 and 4.

—*Reuter.*

LONDON TO CHINA FLIGHT.

CAPT. WEN LIN-CHEN'S
ACHIEVEMENTS.

EXHAUSTIVE TEST OF FAMOUS
CIRRUS ENGINE.

HOME APPRECIATION.

The brilliant feat accomplished by the Chinese airman, Captain Wen Lin-chen, who, flying an Aero-Asian light aeroplane equipped with the famous Cirrus engine, landed at Amoy this week from London, renders of special interest to China an announcement just received in the Colony that the Cirrus aero-engine has been selected by the National Flying Services, Limited, of Great Britain, as their standard engine.

Captain Wen's journey, carried over 14,000 miles of territory, and the long trip was accomplished without the slightest sign of engine trouble, no mean achievement.

British Flying Clubs.

While the flight does not compare with Hindler's amazing trip from England to Australia (12,000 miles) in 5½ days, also accomplished with a Cirrus engine, it constitutes an exhaustive test of the endurance and efficiency of the motive-power.

It is not, therefore, surprising to learn that the National Flying Services has turned to the Cirrus engine after thorough tests of all other aero-engines of similar horse-power and have placed an order for one hundred and fifty engines, which are to be used in the flying clubs and schools which are being operated under the company.

Well Known Figures.

The new company, which includes among its directors such well-known figures in the world of aviation as Sir Alan Cobham, Captain Edgar Guest, The Master of Sempill, and Lady Bailey, proposes to establish twenty-two new aerodromes in Britain in the near future, and machines with Cirrus engines will form a rather distinctive feature.

Sir Alan Cobham is now engaging in a long tour of the British Isles for the express purpose of arousing interest in aviation, and at the same time for investigating landing ground possibilities.

Importance to China.

Captain Wen Lin-chen's flight is of great importance at the present time when the National Government is pursuing a vigorous policy of air development in China. In this development, light aeroplanes should play a great part, and it is hoped and believed that there is a big field for British light aeroplanes which have over and over again proved themselves more than equal to the best in the world.

British machines with Cirrus engines hold the following world records: The two-seater light aeroplane record, the light aeroplane non-stop distance record, the record flight by a pilot unaccompanied, and the record long-distance flight with passenger.

To the severely logical mind these facts will be more convincing than several columns of technical details.

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CHINESE DISPLAYS A WOODEN LEG.

TO SHOW HE COULD NOT
BE FIGHTER.

A six-foot Chinese, with a wooden leg, and a lesser-statured one, with a myriad-coloured left eye, appeared before Mr. N. L. Smith in the Police Court this morning, charged with fighting.

The wooden-legged Chinese, who is a cigarette stall-holder, turned up the right leg of his trousers to exhibit his artificial leg and attempted to tell the Court that it was impossible for a man so handicapped to inflict a black eye on a nimble opponent.

In his evidence he stated that other stall-holders had accused him of undercutting their prices, which he staunchly denied, and that the second accused had been engaged by them to teach him better manners, with the result that there was a fight in which the little man hurt himself.

The prosecution took another view of the case and stated that the wooden-legged culprit was a nuisance to the police. Except for the ten minutes or so while the second accused was engaged in battling with the wooden-legged stall-keeper, he was unemployed.

Both were bound over in the sum of \$50 each to keep the peace for six months.

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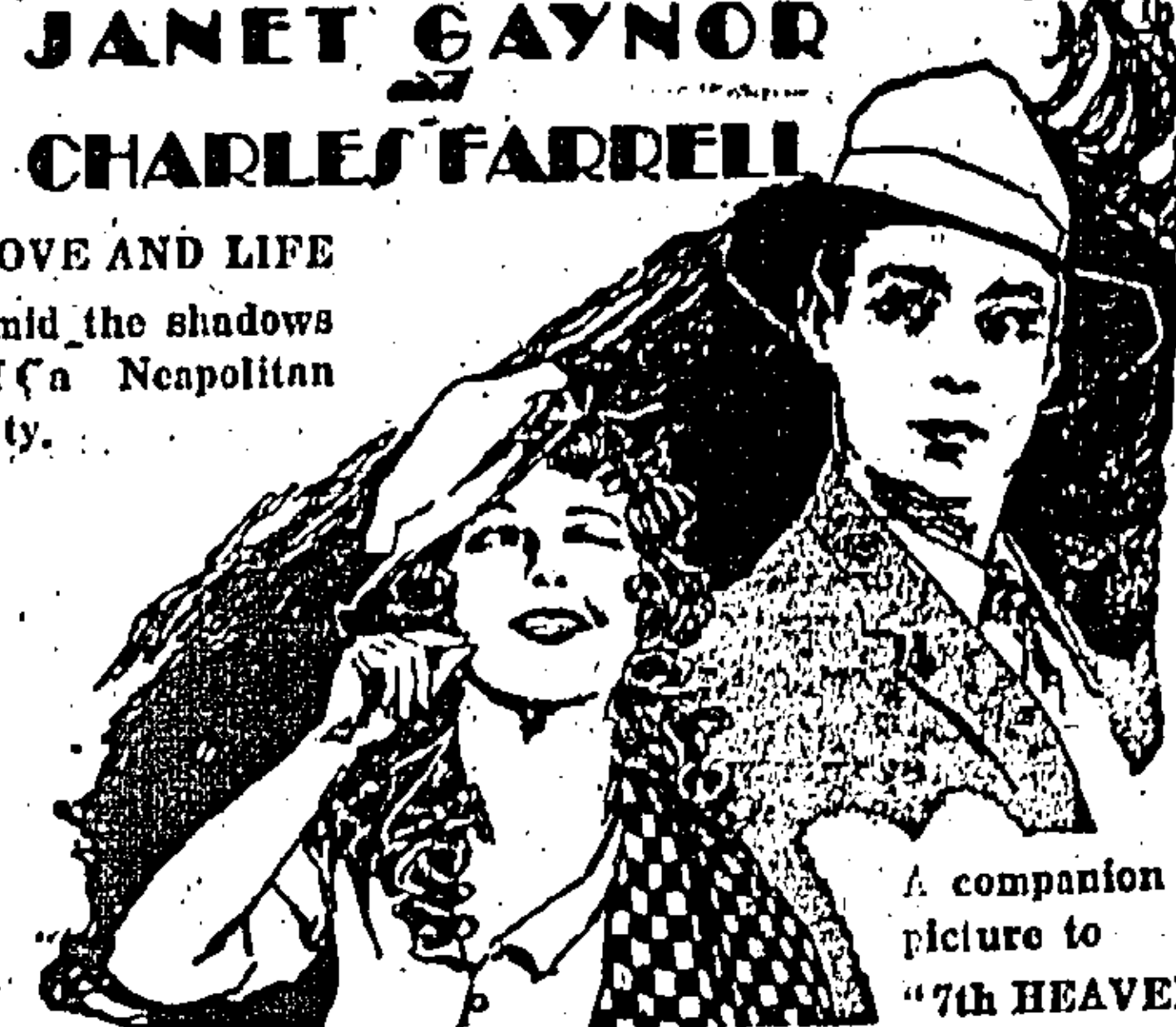
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